

FACTORY IN SIKESTON IS NOW A CERTAINTY

When Sikeston starts out to put over a proposition of any sort she usually does it right. The proposition to raise \$70,000 toward a factory building for the International Shoe Co. looked to be a mighty big undertaking to ask of any community that was as short of cash as this community. It was a big undertaking, too, but not too big for a community that just had to do something.

President Young of the Chamber of Commerce, hardly slept after the matter was first presented, and in every waking moment talked shoe factory. When he was authorized to select his assistants and they their co-workers, it developed that he was keen in foresight for no better committee could have been selected for the work in hand. The soliciting committee was composed of ten teams and the captain of each team was given a certain number of names that his team was to see. There were no favorites but every individual in or near Sikeston who would likely help put the lot sale over was seen. It took five days to complete the lot sale and when all returns were in it was found that 296 lots were disposed of, which will give money enough to lay off and grade the streets and alleys in the new addition.

The following were the teams who sold the lots, the first name being the captain of the team:

- Team 1—J. L. Matthews
E. A. Matthews
Thos. B. Mather.
- Team 2—A. Ray Smith
J. H. Stubbs
H. S. Harper.
- Team 3—W. H. Sikes
J. N. Chaney
Ranney Applegate.
- Team 4—C. E. Felker
F. E. Mount
Jno. Russell.
- Team 5—L. C. Erdmann
V. B. Heisler
E. J. Malone.
- Team 6—E. F. Schorle
George Lough
C. L. Malone.
- Team 7—L. R. Bowman
Phil Gervig
H. A. Smith.
- Team 8—Dan McCoy
W. E. Derris
C. C. Pinnell.
- Team 9—P. M. Malcolm
G. W. Presnell.
- Team 10—Ed Fuchs
W. E. Hollingsworth
W. T. Malone.

It was first announced that the factory would work 450 people but a larger plot of ground was later asked for by the International Shoe Co. and a building sufficient to house 800 employees will be erected.

It is likely that the addition will be platted at an early date and the drawing of lots take place soon after in order that each interested party will know where his lot is and can improve same as soon as convenient.

John A. Young of the Sikeston Concrete Tile Construction Co. has orders to erect five houses for one man on his lots just as early as possible and the houses to be of good design and quality.

BOLL WEEVILS LARGELY KILLED BY BLIZZARD

Washington, March 18.—The February blizzard, which overspread most of the cotton belt, is believed to have killed off a large proportion of boll weevils which had gone into winter retirement, and it is the opinion of the government's entomologists that during the initial period of production this year the cotton planters will have a good chance of a bumper crop.

It was pointed out, however, by the Department of Agriculture in a statement today, that should weather conditions during the coming season be unusually favorable for weevil multiplication moderately heavy damage might occur.

The story of a man's regeneration—and new light on the theme, "Greater love hath no man than he who lays down his life for his friend".—Malone Theatre, Monday and Tuesday.

The Sikeston De Molay Lodge is in a flourishing condition with plenty of work for every Lodge night. Nine members from Blodgett were accepted at the meeting Monday evening at which time the Hall was well filled with members and Masons.

CO-OPERATION BUILT CHURCH PARSONAGE

Co-operation is a right big word and a right big proposition when rightly worked. Let us tell you a story of the building of a Methodist parsonage in a near-by town by co-operation and practically no money. The Methodist congregation at Morley to the north of us, secured the services of a young preacher from Kentucky to work in their moral vineyard. His salary \$800 per year which was small enough for a married man. He was full of vim and go-get-tem and made such an impression on the Board of Stewards that they raised his compensation to \$1090 and agreed to furnish a car in order that he might be of greater service in his field. At a meeting of the Stewards, at a later date, this pastor told them that they needed a parsonage for a home for the preacher. The brethren present said it could not be done, that they could not raise the money. The preacher said he believed it could be built by co-operation, and asked if anyone present could donate the framing for such a building. There was present a man who was running a saw mill. He said he would gladly donate the framing but could give no money. Another man offered the shingles, another the paint and would have it put on. The preacher said he was a carpenter by trade and would put in his work for nothing. Other labor volunteered and the ladies sold lunch and gave more than \$200. Thus the house was built and those passing through Morley will see a very handsome parsonage containing modern conveniences that was built through co-operation. It is a wonderful system when in good working order and can be used to advantage in many different fields.

CONTRACTS TO BE LET FOR CONCRETE ROADS

Bids will be received by the State Highway Department at Jefferson City on March 24 on a portion of the Poplar Bluff-Cairo highway was announced by Frank B. Newton, division engineer.

That portion of the road between St. Francis river at the Butler County line and the west end of the present gravel road being constructed in Stoddard county will be that let. It will be eighteen foot concrete construction such as is being built in Butler county between Poplar Bluff and Fisk. There will be about two and a half miles of this road and it will include the building of a big bridge over the Mingo drainage district ditch.

The State Highway Department is building this piece of road out of Stoddard county's part of the Sixty Million Dollar bond issue funds now available. It is being done because of the importance of the Cairo-Poplar-Bluff road.

Bids will be received on Route 9, Fredericktown to Jackson for grading and building bridges now. This will finally be a very high type road and will be a portion of the Kingshighway.

Another will be the letting of a piece of concrete construction in Pemisot County, Portageville, south toward Hayti, a project five miles in length.

Another will be in Stoddard county

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They are wonderful! You will agree with us that they are really remarkable values at this low price. 100 dresses would not be too many for the people who will want to purchase them when they examine the styles and see the splendid quality materials. There are only 35 in the lot and we advise early selection.

Only by coming to-morrow can you be sure of securing the dress that is most becoming to you.

Don't miss this! You will surely regret it if you fail to attend this extraordinary dress sale. All sizes in the latest spring styles.

Regardless of any other possible announcements, remember that these remarkable dresses are on sale at our store only.

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ty where a gravel road will be let between Bernie and the Dunklin county line.

It is probable that a portion of the Doniphan road in Ripley county will be let by the department in April. The Butler county part of it may wait a year as all of Butler county's part of the Sixty Million Dollar bond issue is going into the eighteen foot concrete pavement (which extends east to Fisk).

Reuben Becker and family who have been residents of Sikeston for the past several years, will leave for Chicago in a short time to make their home. Both Mr. and Mrs. Becker have been employed at the Farmers Supply Dry Goods and Clothing Co. store and by their quiet and accommodating manner have made many friends in Sikeston and vicinity who will regret to see them go. Chicago was the former home of the Becker's, where they have family ties that are taking them home.

Houses To Be Sold At Cost

Mexico, Mo., March 16.—The campaign to raise \$15,000 to insure the building of 60 homes in Mexico will be let by the department in April. The Butler county part of it may wait a year as all of Butler county's part of the Sixty Million Dollar bond issue is going into the eighteen foot concrete pavement (which extends east to Fisk).

To meet the needs for more houses here the Chamber of Commerce and the Mayor recently entered into an agreement whereby the Mayor will build 60 homes, to cost \$150,000 within the next 12 months. For this the Mayor will receive \$15,000 which he will consider as his profit on the undertaking, the houses to be sold at cost. Work will be begun within the next few weeks.

J. N. Sheppard went to Cairo Sunday to meet Little Miss Lavinnia Moll, of Grand Chain, Ill., who will visit her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Sheppard.

Some whales travel twice a year more than a quarter of the circumference of the globe, being in the Arctic in summer and on the other side of the equator in the winter. It is an excess of 25,000,000 women.

In a recent bulletin of the State Agricultural College the fact is mentioned that New Madrid County is the banner corn producing county of Southeast Missouri with 124,300 bu. in 1922. The nearest to this figure was that of Mississippi county with 70,440 bushels.—Lilbourn Herald.

The Standard was misinformed as to the W. P. Lindley's moving to California. It is true that they have sold their residence to E. J. Keith and it is probable that Mrs. Lindley and Clara will go on a visit to California when the school term closes, but Mr. Lindley says he has too many interests in Southeast Missouri to move to any other section of the United States. He owns some of the best farm lands to be found in this section.

ONE GOOD THING LEADS TO ANOTHER

With all lots for the shoe factory sold and the assurance that the International Shoe Co. will erect at the earliest possible moment, a building sufficient to employ 800 men and women, it now behooves the Chamber of Commerce to back a move for more homes for Sikeston. When we say homes we mean homes, not cheap box houses.

Within a year the city will jump in population from one thousand to two thousand, and as it is, Sikeston has no spare houses and no place for the increased population. Just the minute title to the lots in the Matthews Addition is vested in the owners, houses should be built for factory workers. Houses of 4 to 5 rooms with bath and toilet would find ready renters or ready sale to employees of the factory who could take them through the Building and Loan Association. It is the home owner that The Standard believes in encouraging, for the man who owns a home always makes a good citizen.

The owners of vacant lots in other sections of Sikeston should improve them with a comfortable cottage of some sort as the need of more housing will be felt at once. With the building of the shoe factory, the creamery and ice cream factory, and the cotton gins, Sikeston will be over-run with workmen who will seek employment on them and it is going to be a difficult matter to house the extra influx.

The Standard feels certain that the Chamber of Commerce will get in touch with some financial institution who will furnish the money to build all needed homes on the Building and Loan plan.

SIKESTON OFFICERS ARREST BURGLARS

The store of W. J. Melton at Aniston in Mississippi County was burglarized the latter part of the week and a shot gun, auto tires, and numerous other articles stolen. Officers in every direction were notified to be on the look-out for Carl Pool and two Killian Bros. It happened that Officer Burks learned that two men answering the description of the men wanted had arrived in Sikeston and were stopping at the rooming house of Mrs. Ashley, over Keady's drug store. At 6:00 Sunday morning one of the Killian boys and Carl Pool were found in one of the rooms, arrested and taken to the city jail. The other Killian boy was arrested in Stoddard County and was brought to Sikeston Sunday forenoon where Mississippi County officers were waiting to take the trio back to the Charleston jail. The father of Carl Pool lives in a house owned by Geo. Dye on South Kingshighway in Sikeston.

M. G. Gresham of Sikeston and M. E. Montgomery of Benton have formed a partnership for the practice of law and will have their offices in the Sikeston Trust Co. Building. Mr. Gresham has been practicing his profession in this city for a number of years while Mr. Montgomery, the present Superintendent of Schools of Scott County, was admitted to the bar the past year. The Standard commends the new firm to the public.

NO DANGEROUS GERMS IN SIKESTON WATER

In a recent issue of The Standard was a statement printed that would lead one to believe the drinking water of Sikeston was polluted and unfit to drink. The statement as printed was in substance information gathered by statements made to the City Council and was made on a report of an amateur chemist of Columbia. The City Council gave Dr. P. M. Malcolm, city health officer, authority to take steps to protect the health of the city by such measures as he thought proper.

In order to know just what was wrong with the water, before making any further move, Dr. Malcolm sent three samples to the Gradwohl Laboratories, St. Louis, for analysis. The following letter from Dr. Gradwohl in person speaks for itself:

"In explanation of our technical reports on examination of water samples submitted by you I beg to state the bacterial contents of these samples was of a non-pathogenic or non-disease variety. We did not find any coli or typhoid bacilli present and feel that the samples are safe for drinking purposes from a bacteriological standpoint. There may be some suspended matter present of a chemical nature, which may be removed by filtration or coagulation."

The three samples of water, one from the tank, one from the water main and one direct from the well, were tested with the following official tests:

"No. 1—Found: Bacterial Count, 1 per cc. Fermentation tubes, no gas. Endos Media, negative. Eosin Methylene, negative.

"No. 2—Found: Bacterial Count, 32 per cc. Fermentation tubes, no gas. Endos Media, negative. Eosin Methylene, negative.

"No. 3—Found: Bacterial Count, 1408 per 1 cc. Fermentation tubes, no gas. Endos Media, organisms found were water bacteria, Hay Bacilli. No. B. Coli."

The bacteria found is found in all water and is not dangerous to health. The disagreeable odor found at times comes from the mud that is sucked from the bottom of the well and while not pleasant is not harmful. By the use of filters all mud sediment can be taken from the water.

M'CUTCHEEN CONTRACTS FOR 80 BIG SPECIALS

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. McCutchen arrived home Monday morning, via Cairo, from St. Louis, where they had been several days closing up contracts for 39 Paramount super productions and 28 Metro super productions.

On April 2, he will present "When Knighthood Was in Flower" at the American, which will be the first of the big, late, super features made this year. Marion Davis, who is said to be the prettiest woman on the screen, is featured in this production and is supported by a notable cast. There are more than 3000 actors in this production. All productions will be shown here at the American and at the Malone in Sikeston.—Charleston Times.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Johnson spent Sunday in Cairo. Mrs. Johnson had some dental work done.

Rev. J. J. Brinberry, pastor of the Christian Church at Brookport, Ill., was in Sikeston Friday afternoon on his way from Osceola, Ark., to his home. While in Sikeston he paid The Standard a pleasant social visit.

Mrs. A. G. Clodfelter of Essex, died at St. Lukes Hospital in St. Louis Tuesday of last week following an operation for stomach trouble. She was the mother of Roy Clodfelter formerly of Sikeston. The Standard extends sympathy to the family.

It will be sad news to the Sikeston friends of Rev. J. B. Lockhart, former pastor of the Christian Church in Sikeston, to hear of his death that occurred at Barnes Hospital in St. Louis last week. He was a kindly man and Christian gentleman. Peace to his ashes.

J. Kelly Wright, of Christian College, Columbia, Mo., was in Sikeston Saturday, in the interest of that College. Parents seeking higher education and good surroundings for their girls can find no better than Christian College. Prof. E. D. Lee, former superintendent of Sikeston Schools, is president of Christian College.

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Sikeston's Achievement

Sikeston did the greatest week's work in its history when it put over the drive for an International Shoe factory. Cape Girardeau's experience in this respect indicates what is in store for Sikeston.

Fifteen years ago Sikeston was the fastest-growing town in Southeast Missouri because it happened that agriculture was having its harvest at that time. Sikeston boasted being the center of the Sikeston district, the greatest agricultural district in the Mississippi Valley, and as long as corn and wheat were in the ascendency, that town boomed. But when wheat and corn sold at bottom prices Sikeston suffered. One year conditions were favorable and the next year they were not, due to the market conditions. All of Sikeston's eggs were in one basket.

With the entry of the shoe factory, which is to employ several hundred people, Sikeston will find that corn and wheat will no longer reign supreme. Shoes are needed, no matter what the price of agricultural products is, and it happens that International shoes are always in great demand.

A man is said to have remarked to a Sikeston merchant not long ago something like this: "How are things these days?" The merchant is said to have replied: "Well, sir, this town is just 15 miles from prosperity". Meaning that cotton was making the country a few miles to the south rich while the Sikeston district had held to corn and wheat.

Sikeston is now set for another period of development and progress. The shoe factory will give employment at good wages to many people and cotton is destined to make the surrounding country more prosperous than it has ever been. Then, when cotton goes the route it has gone before, the shoe factory will be in Sikeston to keep conditions normal.

Scott county will have many hundreds of acres of cotton this year. Cotton prices have now reached the highest point known and the demand is strong. That the 1923 cotton crop will bring a big price is generally conceded and that Scott county can raise cotton in abundance is not questioned, but this condition may last only a few years, and if so, there will be the big shoe factory to rely upon.

Cape Girardeau is pleased to see another International shoe factory down here. Such industries help stabilize the entire district. The factory at Jackson is already showing its worth and in the next few years we hope to see other International factories in Charleston, Kennett, New Madrid, Caruthersville and other towns that can provide the labor. We should endeavor to mix the International industries with our wonderful resources and then there will be little danger of having adverse commercial conditions affect us seriously.

The greatest gain Sikeston will achieve through the securing of a shoe factory will be good citizenship. A shoe factory operated on the basis of the Cape Girardeau plant is more than a mere factory. It establishes a substantial community within itself. Employees of the shoe factory are home builders and owners. They are progressive people, well-paid and forward-looking. They are the kind

of citizens necessary to make a growing community and Sikeston will soon discover this.

Sikeston must now build more houses, must provide more municipal and social facilities, must spread out commercially and must demonstrate that she is a growing, bustling city and not merely an agricultural community. The spirit shown in putting through the shoe factory proposition indicates what may be expected in that substantial community in the future.

It is always interesting to note the progress of the Cape Girardeau shoe factory. It is now employing approximately 1200 men and women at a weekly wage of \$25.00, and has the distinction of making more well-shoes for men than any other factory in the United States.

In 1907, when Cape Girardeau was a town of about 6000 people, a contract was made with Roberts, Johnson and Rand Shoe Company for the establishment of a factory here. The town agreed to furnish the land and a building, the total cost of which was \$70,000. A dollar in those days was equal to two dollars today and although a sale of lots at \$300 each was supposed to cover the amount needed, the final showdown necessitated the payment of from six to eight thousand dollars each by several loyal citizens. The shoe company agreed to pay out for wages not less than \$1,714,000 in 12 years.

The records show that in seven years, seven months and seven days the amount had been paid and the contract complied with.

In the 15 years the shoe factory has been in operation, it has been increased in size twice and has paid in wages alone more than eight million dollars.

There has never been a time when the International Company, which succeeded the Roberts, Johnson and Rand Company, has been called upon to keep a pledge or do something that had been overlooked. It has been a part of the community, sharing in its upbuilding and prosperity. —Cape Missourian.

One of the great acts passed by this session of the Missouri Legislature was that designating the red haw as the official State flower. It has taken much time and deep study to put this important measure thru and The Standard trusts all law abiding citizens will duly appreciate same.

The Standard is of the opinion that with the coming of the factories, the gins and other industries, the merchants of Sikeston can and will go on a cash basis. All these enterprises pay every week and there will be no reason for a single employee to ask for credit. If the farmer does not produce enough milk and poultry products to furnish his own table he should borrow from the banks enough money for his household at the same time he borrows to carry on his farming operations. The merchant can sell on a closer margin and the cash customer will buy less.

The plan to build a number of houses to accommodate a supposed house shortage is all very well in its way, but little will come of it. If these cities are anxious to do something that will be really popular, they will start a plan to get every family an automobile or two. People do not live in houses any more, but in autos. There would be forty applicants for an auto where there would be one to buy a home. Such a scheme would beat the house-building plan ten to one. If people were as anxious to have a home as they are to have an auto, houses would be going up on every street in every city.—Moberly Democrat.

Mr. Mondell, whose constituents have happily demoted him from the responsible post of Republican leader in the lower house of Congress and let him down by grace of party concern for its lame ducks into a nice place with the War Finance Corporation, thinks Congress has been badgered by active minorities until it has no courage left. We have known this for a long time, but it is rather interesting to hear one of Mr. Mondell's intimacy with legislation assert that the practice of expressing one opinion in the cloakrooms and another upon the floor is as bad as it is. That is the way the country went dry. There is only one remedy for it—the single term. When we get down to that we can have a courageous Congress fit to jerk a bull off the bridge—a veritable hell-roarer for what it thinks on its own hook. As it is now the fear of failure to be re-elected renders the Congressmen defenseless. The voice of Wayne Wheeler saying "Booh" from the gallery, which ought to be to him no more than the comedy of a paid lobbyist trying to justify his pay check, becomes as the very voice of God.—Clark McAdams.

Next Presidential Campaign

It is a safe prediction that, if the Republican party, in full control of the national Government, can make no more impressive record during the next 20 months than it has made during the past 24, its leaders will have a deal of explaining to do when the electorate calls for an accounting in 1924. This does not mean, of course, that a Democratic triumph is already in sight. Far from it, despite the obtrusive optimism that exists in the ranks of the Democracy today. The Democratic party presents for the moment the outward semblance of harmony; but this is only because the party, as such, has had no occasion during the past two years to pronounce itself on any great issue of public policy. Put it to the test tomorrow, and what would be its attitude on America's participation in Europe's affairs? Would it be any nearer unity than it was in 1920? It is easy enough to say that Mr. Harding is not leading the Republicans along the forward path; but who is leading the Democrats in any direction? Nor it is to be forgotten that on one question of internal policy, which is steadily looming larger, namely, the relaxing of the Volstead Law, it will be more difficult to prevent defections from the Democratic than from the Republican ranks when the showdown comes.—Atlantic Monthly.

Forty-two States so far have accepted the terms of the Maternity and Infant Hygiene act.

Give the cows and hens a chance, Fellow Farmer. They will do for you what you expect of Congress and the legislature, which is to make dollars grow where dimes otherwise would be hard to find.

It is an ill wind that blows nobody good. The gale that blew Sunday night brought a liberal layer of high priced soil and evenly spread it over Sikeston both inside and outside houses. Some people do not seem to appreciate a gift of \$300 an acre soil.

With the prospect of rejuvenating business in Sikeston with the coming of the new enterprises The Standard wishes to announce that it is ready to resume the publication of the Twice-a-Week Sikeston Standard just as soon as the merchants require its services. The Standard proposes to keep abreast of the times and will not permit Sikeston to get ahead of the paper. With the increased population the call for increased service will be made and The Standard will be on the job without an increase in subscription rates.

But—horrible thought—what if Missouri Republicans should invoke the referendum against laws passed by the present legislature, as the Democrats did against those passed by the last legislature? It would mean repudiation at the polls for the entire lot. Even Monroe county where economy sentiment is especially strong, gave an overwhelming majority against a consolidation bill that would have abolished a multitude of jobs and saved a quarter of a million dollars every year. You can kill anything in Missouri that old-reliable side partner of peanut politics.—Paris Appeal.

France and "Uncle Sam"

Our uncle in America has been dinnning into our ears for a year or two that Germany is so crushed by her reparations debts that she can never pay them in full, and that they must be reduced at all costs to a reasonable figure. We answer frankly to this: "It is possible that Germany's burdens are too heavy for her shoulders. But we are not rich enough to make her a present—with our 1,500,000 dead and our 10 devastated departments to rebuild, we who were in the war from the first day of August, 1914. We can arrange these things, however. Your territory has not been invaded, you have not lost 1,500,000 of your sons in the war, you were not fighting with all your strength except for a year or in fact a few months just before the end of hostilities. During the first two years of the war you made large profits from furnishing supplies to the allies. Now let us suggest to you that we, the Europeans allies, pay you with German obligations what you have loaned our Governments for war purposes. Then if you wish to reduce the German debt, you can simply burn these obligations, whereupon the financial distress of the world will be relieved at once, to the great benefit of commerce and industry and agriculture in general, and of your own commerce and industry and agriculture in particular". But Uncle Sam refuses to make this sacrifice, and see we have occupied the Ruhr in order to get our pay from Germany; whereupon our uncle in America becomes angry with us, and withdraws his forces from the Rhine. Here in France—we may say everywhere in Europe—no one can understand such conduct.—Gustave Herve in La Vie-toire (Paris).

Some of our people should go a little slow on talk of black listing those who didn't buy a lot or assist in putting over the shoe factory. Those who could and wouldn't help are the ones to shame, but for goodness sakes go slow on us small fellows who were just as willing as could be, but didn't have the cash. Ordinarily the small business interests do more than their share in public spirit moves and they should not be humiliated by talk calculated to hurt them in the future.

Every owner of a lot in the Factory Addition should make plans to improve same with a house. Money can be secured through the Building and Loan Association and the rent will pay the bill in the course of time. Four and five-room houses with bath should be built and every one of them would be promptly rented or sold to factory employees on terms which they could meet. It will be but a short distance to the ditch where good sewerage connection could be made.

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Certified St. Charles White, \$2.50 per bushel
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Theodore Hopper, Sikeston, Missouri

FOR SALE

Having rented most of my ground for cotton, I have for sale quite a number of extra tools, all in good condition, that I will sell at private treaty, among which are:

Busy Bee cultivators, breaking plows, discs, tractor tractor plows, wheat drills, alfalfa seeder, several tons of June clover hay, cow peas, clover seed, soy beans, one good 6-foot McCormick binder, one good wheat separator, two double row stalk cutters, hay rakes.

HOMER DECKER

The astounding story of a love that fought the elements and carved the destinies of three noble souls.—Malone Theatre, Monday and Tuesday.

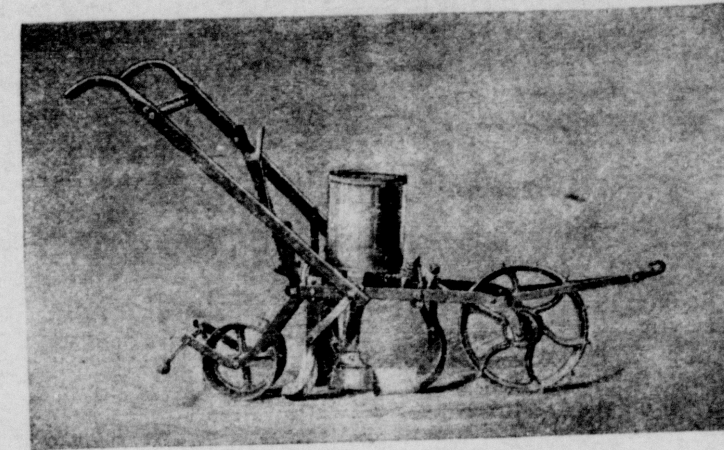
About the time when William the Conqueror invaded England the Seljuks invaded Asia Minor and conquered the Greeks. Since that time the Greeks of Asia Minor have paid taxes and tribute to the Turks. A part of the ancient payment, and the part that the Greek's hated the most was the "tribute children", whom the Turks drafted and trained to form the famous janizaries. In spite of oppression, the Greeks have maintained their national unity, their language and their civilization, and in the coast cities and towns the population is still more Greek than Turkish.

The story of a noble sacrifice which boomeranged in a tragic manner, bringing disaster so near that it changed the lives of three persons.—Malone Theatre, Monday and Tuesday.

There is one lesson; yea, there are two, our farmer friends must learn before they can hope to make a howling success of co-operative enterprises. One is that efficient labor at a good price is more productive of profits than inefficient labor at a low price. The other is that interested parties must cultivate a disposition to co-operate and, when necessary, to good-naturedly compromise with associates who differ with them in opinion. Banks, wholesale firms, factories and other institutions do not run smoothly because their

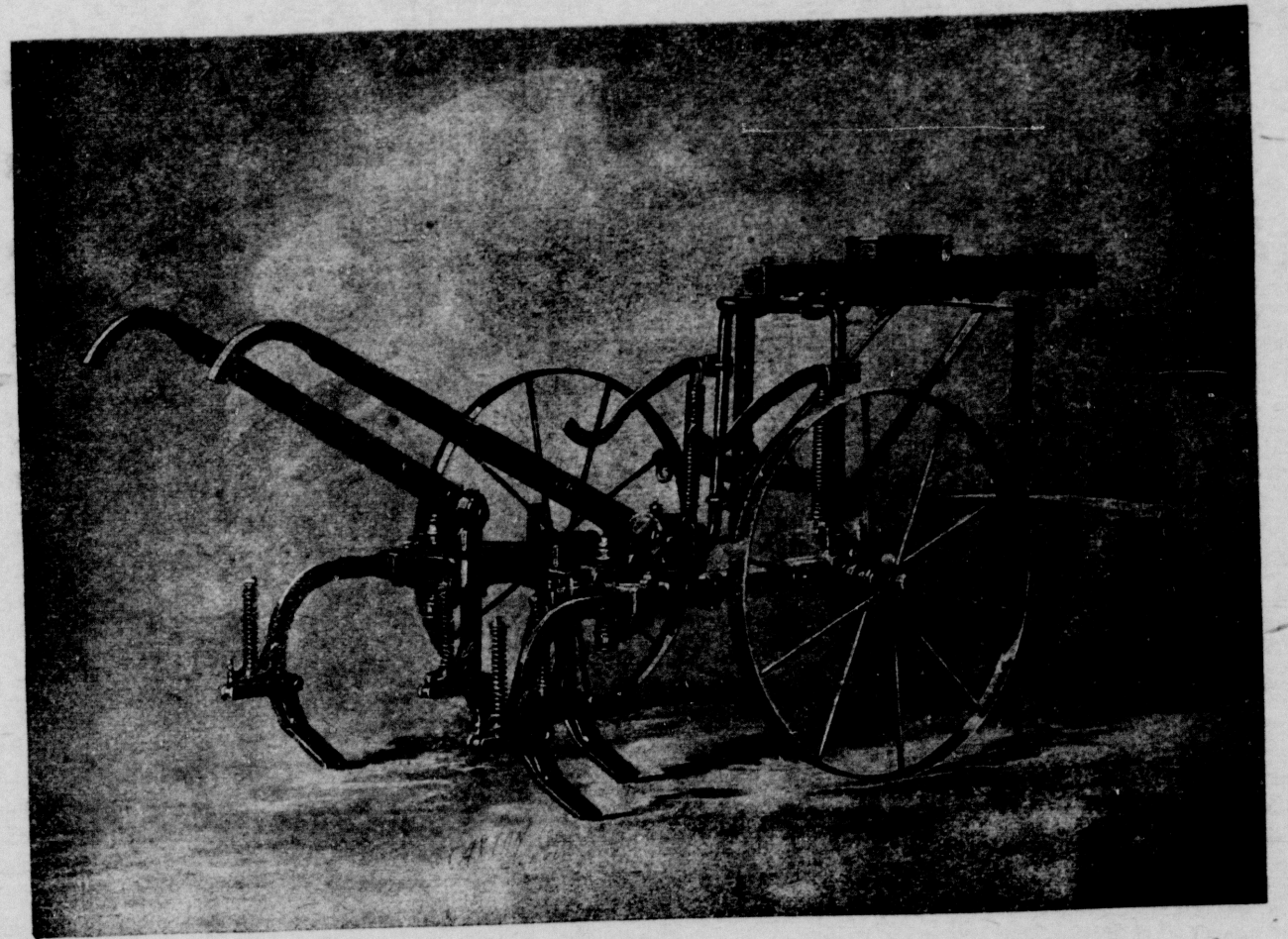
directors agree on everything but because the minority to a disagreement is willing to yield gracefully when necessary or because the majority is willing to make such concessions as the situation seems to warrant. Who ever heard of a bank, a factory or a wholesale house advertising for bids for official positions or soliciting applications from the general public for jobs that were to be filled? Their policy is to seek out men whose integrity, experience and qualifications are beyond question, then to pay such a salary as will inspire the employee to do his level best. The same policy, we feel sure, would be a better one for farmers to follow in their co-operative enterprises than the one so many of them pursue.—Paris Appeal.

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THE SHOE FACTORY CONTRACT RECEIVED

W. H. Sikes, of the Chamber of Commerce, spent considerable time in St. Louis, Wednesday, with Mr. Watkins, vice-president of the International Shoe Co. and went over the entire situation of the factory with him.

The Shoe Company were well pleased with the short space of time it took to raise the money, and in consideration of the interest taken by all the citizens of Sikeston, they will give us a larger building than at first intended. The dimensions of the building as now proposed will be 250x50 feet with basement and 4 stories and a wing 40x50 feet 4 stories. The ground is to be 300x600 feet.

A phone message from D. B. Smith, manager of the Cape Branch, said he would be here Monday with engineers to stake off their ground and that bids for the erection of the building would be asked for at once. The question of housing the increased population was brought up by the factory people, so this subject will be up for discussion Monday evening.

The contract between the International Shoe Co. and L. M. Stallcup, A. C. Sikes and Jos. L. Matthews for the Chamber of Commerce and citizens of Sikeston, is a very simple one without an objectionable feature and no technicalities. It calls for a payment of \$10,000 as soon as the contract is signed; \$15,000 when basement is completed; \$15,000 thirty days after completion of basement; \$15,000 sixty days after completion of basement and \$15,000 when building is completed and ready for installation of machinery.

Mr. Fahrenkopf, who has the plot of land rented, is willing to turn the land over at once if the Chamber of Commerce will pay a reasonable price for the wheat crop planted thereon. It is hoped this can be accomplished, then the lots can be drawn for, titles made to same, and building of houses started immediately. It is going to be necessary for every lot owner who can possibly do so, build a house for the accommodation of new comers and workers in the factory. John Craig, in behalf of the Ilmo Building and Loan Association, was in Sikeston Wednesday and stated that their Association could advance \$15,000 per month to build homes in Sikeston. With the assur-

ance of money for building, no vacant lot should be found in the city in another twelve months.

Open Meeting of Woman's Club

On Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. C. Sikes, the Woman's Club held a meeting complimentary to Mrs. Harvey, of Kirksville.

An invitation was extended to other Clubs in this district to come to this meeting and several accepted, and after hearing Mrs. Harvey's informal talk on Applied Education, they felt repaid for their trip to Sikeston.

Mrs. arvey's talk was full of interest and she gave a great deal of her time to the rural school problems and how to solve them, and while a goodly number of teachers were present, it is to be regretted that our rural school teachers did not hear her, for if they had, they would have been inspired to do more efficient work.

Mrs. Green Lescher very delightfully sang two vocal solos with Mrs. H. J. Welsh at the piano.

A light lunch of chicken salad sandwiches, olives, pickles, candy and coffee were served to the sixty or more guests. The out-of-town guests were: Mrs. Charles Stubbs, Mrs. I. Marshall and Mrs. Goode, of the Woman's Club of Blodgett, Mrs. Luta Leslie, Mrs. Robert Leslie, Mrs. H. F. Emerson and Mrs. Earles of the Saturday Evening Reading Club of Morley and Mrs. Byron Guthrie of Charleston.

Mrs. Lyles of Dexter was the guest of Mrs. John E. Marshall Thursday of last week.

J. W. Leoffler, a lad from Dexter, Mo., is adding much to the orchestra at Malone Theatre with his xylophone. He is quite an artist.

The Chamber of Commerce hope to reserve a sufficient number of lots in the Factory Addition to put into a park. This will be up for discussion at the regular meeting Monday evening.

The Woman's Club held a Bridge party at the home of Miss Burnice Tanner last Friday afternoon and about \$16 was realized. Another party was held at Mrs. W. H. Tanner's Wednesday night and a considerable sum was donated. Soon after Easter Mrs. John Fisher will have the Bridge party followed by Mrs. B. F. Blanton. These ladies are to raise \$100 to finish paying for their second lot and have taken this means to raise it.

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11:00—Morning worship. Singing led by the choir. Sermon from the text: "The Gates of Hades Shall Not Prevail Against It".

6:30—The B. Y. P. U. meets for Bible Study and Social Worship.

7:30—Evening Worship. Song services by choir and congregation. Sermon by the pastor.

REV. S. P. BRITE, Pastor.

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Sunday School—9:30.
Preaching 10:45—Subject: "The Choice of the Cross".
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Pastor preaches every night next week beginning at 7:30.
THOS. B. MATHE, Pastor.

All of the swift fury of the elemental passions embodied in a drama, powerful, thrilling, intense.—Malone Theatre, Monday and Tuesday.

The ladies of the Methodist Church will have their annual flower sale at Albritton's Green House on April 12, 13 and 14. Everyone needing flowers should remember these dates.

The Sikeston city council last week voted to refuse permit for picture shows on Sunday; perhaps proceeding upon the theory that the preacher should have at least a show on Sunday. With the joyriders autoing seven days in the week and the picture show in operation six nights out of the possible seven, the minister is now having the worry of his life to give the public "something better".—Poplar Bluff Republican.

THE PUREBRED SIRE INCREASES PRODUCT

John T. Stinson, Agricultural and Colonization Agent of the Missouri Pacific System, has prepared and sent out a chart showing the evolution of the cow. For instance President Bush, of the Missouri Pacific, has spent much thought and money in an endeavor to educate the farmer to the better sire proposition and gives as examples what the crossing of a pure bred bull on a scrub cow will do. The first cross of the Jersey bull on a scrub cow giving but 4,047 pounds of milk per year, brought a cow that produced 4,934 pounds of milk. The second cross of this mating to a pure bred bull produced a cow that gave 6,257 pounds of milk. This sort of an argument should be convincing.

The Holstein pure bred bull crossed with a scrub cow giving 3,688 pounds of milk gave a cow that produced 6,748 pounds of milk, and the second cross was a 10,326 pound milk cow.

The Guernsey pure bred bull crossed on a scrub cow giving 4,306 lbs. of milk gave a 4,731 first cross and the second cross was a cow that produced 7,271 pounds of milk.

Just at this time with the creamery and ice cream factory in sight and with a depot for purchasing butter fat our near-by farmers should follow the better sire breeding and get the most for their money.

The Missouri Pacific officials should be commended for their efforts to improve the condition along their lives.

Dr. T. C. McClure was called to Caruthersville and to Chaffee for consultation the past week.

Married at the residence of Frank Fetting on Sunday evening, March 18, Mr. Norval Gibson nad Miss Lena Hargrove, both of Sikeston. Rev. S. P. Brite officiating. Mr. Gibson is Sikeston, where the young couple a farmer living six miles south of will reside.

1922 FLAPPER DE LUXE STAR OF NEW PHOTOPLAY

A flapper extraordinary is the heroine of "Her Night of Nights", the Universal comedy drama starring Marie Prevost at the Malone Theatre on Wednesday. She is a product of the city and her social activities have an alarming tempo, but she is still human enough to fall in love with a "country fellow" who isn't at all her type.

Hobart Henley directed the filming of the picture from a story by C. S. Montanye which appeared in a popular magazine. Doris Schroeder, adapter of practically all the Prevost vehicles for Universal, prepared the scenario.

Edward Hearn has the leading opposite Miss Prevost. Hallam Cooley, popular juvenile man, plays the second masculine lead, while Betty Francisco, Richard Daniels, William Jane Starr, Charles Arling and others enact principal roles.

The story is centered around New York City, its cafes and notorious night life, its exclusive fashion shops along Fifth Avenue, its more or less unregulated clubs and its quiet suburban atmosphere miles out, where one may buy a "bit of a house" for four or five hundred down and four or five years to pay.

It is said that "Her Night of Nights" offers Marie Prevost the exact sort of a role in which she appears at best advantage. It also offers an opportunity for a momentary display of the figure which made her the queen of bathing girl comedies two or three years ago.

The Chamber of Commerce invites the hearty co-operation of every progressive citizens of Sikeston and vicinity. Attend the meeting Monday evening and help finish up the work already started.

Mrs. C. E. Felker is at the St. Mary's Infirmary, Cairo, for medical attention. Her friends will be glad to know that she will not have to undergo an operation and will probably return to her home early next week.

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More School Room Needed

Now that the factory is assured, or even if it were not, it is high time that we were providing as well for our citizens under 16 to study, to play and to grow, as for those over 16 to work.

No institution is quite so near the heart of all the people as the school in which the average child is taught and yet Sikeston has no place in any of her buildings where all the pupils of that building can be assembled, much less a place where the parents may come to be entertained.

With the coming of the factory, more rooms will be needed to take care of the influx of children accompanying workers. The grade school is full, the late crowded condition having been relieved by the parochial school. The high school is crowded, about one-third more than two years ago. About the only criticism we have heard on the school this year is a result of the crowded situation there. Yet better work is being done than last year, which was a decided improvement on the year before. In fact, we think we have as is being attempted. But it is time to the long run to include an auditor-broaden out a bit.

Our School Board should not wait for next winter to catch them with inadequate housing facilities. Now is the time to begin to plan to have more house finished by fall. And while building it will be cheaper in people will urge the Board to follow gymnasium where the pupils, and patrons as well, can hear good programs free of rent, present good programs, and exercise and play to the good of their physical development.

To a man wanting to put his boy in school, what have we to offer more than the small towns nearby? Nothing. Not as much as some.

This is the logical assembling place for almost four counties, the cross-roads of two great highways. The editor of The Standard hopes the people will urge the Board to follow the recommendation of Supt. Ellise, and that our children be provided for at once.

About 86 per cent of the lumber used in Alaska is cut from the national forests, according to the Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture.

Manuel Lee Silva, of New York City, aged 110 years, when asked what he attributed as the cause for his longevity, replied that he didn't know, that he quit smoking when he was 75 years old and hadn't been drunk since he was 85! This is a question for discussion by the W. C. T. U.

Just a word of warning to the owners of tenant houses in Sikeston. It is being noised about that landlords are seeking to boost the rent on their houses because they think they can get away with it. Rent on dwellings and rooms in Sikeston has been too high for a long time when one considers that many of the houses are practically unfit to live in and have no conveniences whatever. If you hear of such a move and know it to be a fact, report same to the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. Hold-ups should not be tolerated.

Government By Intimidation

Upon what is the strength of such irresponsible organizations as the Anti-Saloon League founded? No one, except their salaried and interested defenders, pretends that they represent more than a fraction of American public opinion. They are based solely and squarely, for all practical and strategic purposes, upon the cowardice of the politician. It is a question whether Anderson and the society he represents, or the women in the passage of the suffrage amendment, were first in the field with a system which amounts to organized intimidation—influence over the politician by personal pressure. Intimidation need not be exercised to extort money. It can be, and has been many times, used to influence votes, where those votes will have the most effect, as, for instance, in Congress and in the State legislatures. These voluntary organizations maintaining expensive lobbies in Washington, apart from effrontery and assurance—developing into bluff where necessary—have a tangible asset in a system of card indexes. They do not deal in generalities. So long as the politician votes dry his relations with his private bootlegger are not molested, although they are recorded, where possible, as a club to hold over him.—Wall Street Journal.

Chinch Bug's Life History

Everyone knows the chinch bug with its characteristic buggy odor; and every farmer who wages war on this pest can profit by a knowledge of the bug's life history.

At this season it is safely hidden away deep down in the dry crowns of clump grasses and in other dry shelters. As many as 20,000 adult bugs have been found in one large grass clump, says the entomologists at the Missouri College of Agriculture. In Missouri during April these over-wintering adult bugs leave their winter shelter and fly to fields of wheat or similar grain crops. Here a little later eggs for the spring brood of bugs are laid.

By the first of July or at wheat harvest this brood of young bugs is about mature, and since the supply of sap in the wheat field is gone they crawl to other green crops which means usually adjoining corn fields. Here they feed until they mature and get wings and then rise and fly all over the infested and adjoining corn fields.

Later these adults lay eggs for the summer and fall brood which does such serious damage to corn. This brood of bugs is usually mature before the first killing frosts and they usually fly in search of favorable winter harbors during October. Here they again safely pass the winter to start making trouble again the following spring.

The adult chinch bug hibernates during the winter. It requires dry, warm shelter for safe hibernation. Where wild bunch or clump grasses abound these are the bugs' most favorite winter hiding place. A grassgrown ravine, briar patch, fence row, roadside or rocky slope are next to ideal from the bugs' point of view, favoring a really severe winter such favorable harbors are really essential for safe wintering. Bugs do hibernate in other places, however, especially in mild dry winters.

Corn shocks, straw and hay stacks, dry leaf beds along fences, hedges and woodland borders and the boots of standing corn may give shelter to some bugs. Some may even collect under dry bark on stumps or logs or in piles of brush or wood or lumber. These shelters are not the pests' choice harbors and few safely winter in such places under normal conditions.

The bugs that cause the real epidemic the following year will be found harboring largely in the most favorable shelters and not in these last named "make-shift" harbors. Plan the winter and early spring clean-up campaign therefore so as to thoroughly destroy the choice harbor first and expose or destroy as many bugs as possible in fodder and such shelters. One choice ravine or grassy spot may harbor millions of bugs which in April fly to adjoining farms.

Most big undertakings like putting over the shoe factory drive necessitates the expenditure of large sums of money and much time in preliminary work. The Sikeston drive was put over in less than one week and at a cost not to exceed \$50. There was a reason. Level-headed, everyday business men were on the committees.

Send your Easter cleaning and pressing to Pitman's Tailor Shop and get a ticket on the \$50 suit to be given away. Phone 127.

For hundreds of years the Nile floods have not varied 10 days in their arrival.

The Missouri Press Association

Kansas City, Mo., March 22.—For a greater Missouri!

With this slogan as a goal for its activities, the organization meeting of the Missouri Association will open at Jefferson City April 6, J. F. Hull chairman of the Missouri Press Association "Committee of Sixteen", announced today, following a meeting with John M. Guild, General Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Kansas City and chairman of a committee that has had for its purpose the organization of a state chamber of commerce.

The sessions of the meeting will last for two days, closing Saturday night, April 7. There will be representatives from all over the state, including delegates appointed by chambers of commerce and all business bodies. There will be a strong representation of newspaper men, one from every county.

The joint call for this meeting is the result of a meeting held in Jefferson City at which the plans of the two movements—the one to advertise that state by the editors, and the one to tie together its business organizations, were welded together, so that instead of two new organizations for somewhat similar purposes, there will be one united and stronger body with the newspaper men behind it.

The purpose of the April meeting, as explained by Mr. Guild today, is to hear a report of his committee, which has for some time been analyzing the structure and work of state organizations, and if acceptable, adopt the form of organization that this committee will recommend. The proposed constitution and by-laws was reviewed by the "Committee of Sixteen" on February 24 and a sub-committee of the Press Association, consisting of Fred W. Mitchell, of Excelsior Spring, M. L. Francis of Slater and J. H. Miller, of Lee's Summit, was named to go over the proposed organization machinery with Mr. Guild and come to an agreement on any changes that might be desired by the Missouri Press Association. The report the committee will make embodies the best features of every state chamber of commerce that exists or has existed in this country.

"The Missouri Association is the response to a feeling long existing in this state that Missouri has been overlooked very largely by those seeking new homes", Mr. Hull stated, in outlining the importance of the meeting and its purposes. "The reason is due to the larger portion of what little exploitation there has been tending to repel rather than attract. The exploits of the James gang of nearly a half century ago still hold a permanent place in the minds of many people, while these same people know very little of the wonderful diversity of resources, the romantic state history, the scenic beauty, and the unexampled opportunities the state affords those who come here to invest their capital. They look on the James gang as a type of Missouri's citizenship while we who live here know nothing could be further from the truth.

"One of the first steps in the organization's work will be to acquaint the people of north Missouri with the beauty of the Ozarks, with the wonderfully rich mineral deposits of that region, and other factors in other sections, and we want the people of that region to become acquainted with the great body of rich agricultural land in northern Missouri, and with other developments in those districts."

"According to Mr. Guild, the success of the movement depends on the commercial bodies that have been invited to send delegates, giving this matter prompt attention so that the April 6-7 meeting at Jefferson City will be actually representative of the resources, possibilities and ambitions of the state.

Some years ago the museums of Konigsberg and Berlin sent Prof. Wheeler an extraordinary collection of ants in lumps of Baltic amber. There were 9560 specimens, representing 92 species and 43 genera. Baltic amber is merely the fossil resin of pines which flourished during Lower Oligocene Tertiary times in the region which is now Sweden. The liquid resin exuded from the tree trunks precisely as it does today, and great numbers of small insects, especially ants, were trapped in the transparent, viscid masses which hardened, fell from the trees or remained after the rotting of the wood and were carried down by the streams and imbedded in what is today the floor of the Baltic sea and the soil of Eastern Prussia. The lumps are now brought to the surface either by mining or by the action of the waves, which cast them up on the beaches. So beautiful and lifelike are the insects preserved in the amber that by comparison all other fossils have a singularly dull and inert appearance.

Am I My Brother's Keeper?

The party who has never fought the devil in the battle for supremacy over alcohol cannot sympathize with he who falls in the struggle. Since the editor has been a citizen of Sikeston he has seen strong men, personal and intimate friends, fight the battle. Some have lost and are sleeping under the sod. Others are yet in the struggle and with the help of God and encouragement of real friends, may win out. To counsel, to advise, to abuse, a man who is under the influence of liquor, is but the loss of time and effort for he is not clear-headed enough to listen with reason. To visit with him "the day after", is to see a great body passing through the tortures of hell, to see a mature man shed tears of bitter humiliation and shame, and pray God to give him strength to yet conquer—this, too, is no time to scold, advise, nor threat. It is the time to give him a real grasp of a hand, to put your arm over his shoulder and shed real tears of sympathy and offer moral encouragement and tell him how grieved you are at his actions and how it hurts a real friend. The body of the man is built of nerves, some can control and some cannot. When the devil gets possession of the nervous system and the man is unable to control them, it is the time that he turns to alcohol or narcotics for relief, or something to paralyze his nerves. Pity the man or woman who is weak enough to give way to his passion and abuse the one who peddles the alcohol and dope.

Three hundred thousand prisoners of war and other prisoners labor 4 fifteen years to build the great Chinese wall. It is 2,000 miles long and was built to keep back the Tartar, which for 2,000 years devastated Asia and even Europe from time to time.

ORAN TO VOTE ON BONDS FOR WATER AND LIGHTS

At the annual election in Oran April 3rd, the citizens of that progressive town will have a chance to vote for a bond issue of \$45,000 for a municipal water and light plant.

The fire in November showed the people there that they could not afford to longer be without city water and fire protection. It is the intention to put up a city light plant at the same time with a portion of the issue, altho Oran now has service from the Missouri Public Utilities Company.

Water for fire fighting purposes is something that every town needs, and Oran should have this protection, which means so much in the saving of property.—Benton Democrat.

In Turkey, Syria and Armenia the women wear garments of celestial blue as an emblem of mourning.

"Keeping books" on the farm work, or farm accounting, is now taught in the eighth grade of public schools in 21 Ohio counties, according to reports to the United States Department of Agriculture, as a result of agricultural extension work in farm management in these counties.

Fire control on national forests becomes every year more effective through various forms of co-operation, says the Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture. Man-caused fires are still the great hazard and the great problem. The only way, he says, to reduce these fires is to impress the habit of care with fire on the minds of users and visitors on national forests. In 1921 the total number of man-caused fires was 4,400; yet there is no more reason for the usual man-caused fire on the national forests than there is for the usual grade-crossing accident.

MALONE THEATRE

WEEK OF MARCH 26th

Nights 7:30 O'clock

MONDAY AND TUESDAY

ALMA RUBENS in

"The Valley of Silent Men"

A Paramount Picture

Cosmopolitan's marvelous James Oliver Curwood story with gigantic scenes taken in the Canadian Rockies. The most popular story of the Northwest ever written. Real red-blooded romance portrayed by a cast of stars in gorgeous natural settings. Lew Cody, Joe King, J. W. Johnson and George Nash are in the cast.

NEWS AND COMEDY

Adm. 10c and 30c

WEDNESDAY

MARIE PEVOST in

"Her Night of Nights"

C. S. Montayne's happy story of the beautiful little cloak model who renounced the gay life and found happiness in the most unexpected manner.

NEWS

Admission 10c and 20c

THURSDAY

DAVID POWELL in

"The Spanish Jade"

A Paramount Picture

A John S. Roberston Production

Would you like to come adventuring through the sun-drenched hills of Spain with a pair of Spanish lovers. See lovely Senoritas dancing the wild fandango; thrill as the daggers of hot-blooded rivals flash? Then don't miss this glowing, glorious romance, which Americans actually filmed in Spain. From the play by Louis Joseph Vance. Charles de Rochefort in the cast.

MOVIE CHATS

Admission 10c and 20c

FRIDAY

JACK HOLT in

"While Satan Sleeps"

A Paramount Picture

Here's one you'll be proud you've been able to see. A great big Peter B. Kyne special. A real he-man story based on "The Parson of Panamint". This has been a great hit everywhere it has been shown. Sunshine Comedy

Special Matinee—2:30

Admission 10c and 30c

SATURDAY

DUSTIN FARNUM in

"The Yosemite Trail"

A story of the Golden West.

ROY STEWART in

"The Radio King"

Episode 2.

MATINEE—2:30

NIGHT—7:15

COMING—Easter Attraction—Cecile B. De Mille's Production

"Adam's Rib"

With Milton Sills, Elliott Dexter, Theodore Kosloff, Anna Q. Nilsson, Pauline Garon, Julia Faye and many other favorites. A production that actually tops anything Cecile De Mille has ever done.

If we will rightly estimate what we call good and evil, we shall find it lies much in comparison.

The will of Charles Dickens contained the following clause: "I concur my friends on no account to make me the subject of any monument, memorial or testimonial whatsoever. I rest my claims to the remembrance of my country upon my published works, and to the remembrance of my friends upon their experience of me in addition thereto".

Two cities which in the middle ages and before were seaports for the Vikings have been discovered on the coast of Sweden. The names of the lost towns were Gamla Lodosa and Nya Loroze. There the seafaring Norsemen came for bargains and battle, and mention of "houses of music" indicate that they were popular ports for the sailors. The discoveries are expected to throw much light on early Scandinavian civilization.

Nothing that is not a real crime makes a man appear so little in the eyes of the world as inconstancy.

The National Association of Master Pie Bakers says Chicago is the greatest pie-eating city in the United States. Residents of the Windy City daily consume an average of 75,000 pies. According to the same authority, New York stands second. About 60,000 pies are consumed there daily. Philadelphia comes third with 50,000. Fourth place goes to Los Angeles, where 40,000 are consumed daily. Boston is a close rival.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS FROM MATTHEWS

Walter Moore of Canolou was in Matthews Friday, on business.

Henry Castner, cashier of the Canolou Bank, was in Matthews, Sunday.

John Sutor of Benton was in Matthews Monday and Tuesday on business.

Miss Flo King spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. King.

Mr. and Mrs. Latimer motored to Marston Sunday to visit friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Jones of Pharris Ridge were Matthews visitors Sunday.

Judge G. D. Steele returned Friday from Catron, where he has been several days on business.

G. F. Deane, Howard Steele, D. A. Chiles and Frank Sibley motored to New Madrid Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Deane and Mr. and Mrs. Loy Roberts motored to Cape Girardeau Friday on business.

Miss Ollie Clarke returned to her home in Skeston, Monday, after a few days visit with Miss Alma Woodruff.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Lurmit of New Madrid spent Sunday with Mrs. Lurmit's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Deane.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stewart and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sibley attended the show in Skeston Tuesday night.

Mrs. Presnell and daughter, Miss Vera Roberts, and Miss Verna Murphy of Canolou, were Matthews visitors Saturday.

Misses Flossie Reed, Aleta Hill, Vanita Hicks and Verna King were 12 o'clock dinner guests of Miss Irene Sutton, Sunday.

Mrs. Nannie Mainord returned Sunday from New Madrid, where she has been visiting with her son, O. K. Mainord and family.

Mrs. Martha Lurmit of Portageville was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Deane from Saturday, until Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCarthy and children and Misses Elereno Shelton and Dorris Gilmore of Skeston visited relatives in Matthews Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Weeks of Canolou and A. D. Baughn and daughter Barbara Lucille, of Dexter, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, Sunday.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Buckles died Monday, March 19th, and was buried Tuesday evening in the Matthews cemetery at 2:00 o'clock.

Mrs. J. R. King entertained the following guests Thursday evening, the occasion being Mr. King's birthday anniversary: Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swart and children, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Story and children.

Mrs. Emma Andrews and daughters, Mrs. Ennen and Miss Beatrice and little grandson Bobby returned to Fredericktown Sunday after a week's visit with their daughter and sister, Mrs. W. O. Carroll.

Fred Meyer, of Cape Girardeau, passed through Matthews Thursday with his blood hounds en route to Noxall to try and track the party that had shot into some negro cabins on the Glenn Matthews farm.

Mrs. G. D. Steele and son, John Chaney, returned Friday from Coffeyville, Kansas, where they went to attend the funeral of Mrs. Steele's father, W. M. Moore. Mrs. Moore accompanied her home for a few weeks' visit.

Mrs. F. D. Baughn returned to her home in Cape Girardeau Wednesday, after a few days visit with her daughter, Mrs. John Smith. Mrs. Baughn's little granddaughter, Camille, accompanied her home for a few weeks' visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz had as their guests at a 6 o'clock dinner Saturday evening, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Carroll, Mrs. Emma Andrews and daughter, Miss Beatrice of Fredericktown and Mrs. Ennen and little son, Bobby, of California.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ratcliff entertained the following guests with a rook party Wednesday evening: Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Critchlow, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Deane, Mr. and Mrs. Loy Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Swartz, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Carroll, Mrs. Ennen of Calif., and Prof. Chas. Granger. Mrs. Albert Deane and Loy Roberts held the highest scores at the conclusion of the games. Mrs. Deane was awarded a powder puff and Mr. Roberts, a tie.

John McKoan died Friday night about 10:30 at the home of his stepson, Thos. Mucky. Mr. McKoan had been ill for some time. He was born in Ireland, June, 1840, age 83 years. He came to America when quite young. He leaves to mourn his death two step-sons, Thos. Mucky, of this place and John Mulkey of New Mexico, one adopted daughter, Mrs. T. A. Cunningham of Skeston. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. S. P. Brite, pastor of the First Baptist Church, of Skeston. Interment took place in the Matthews cemetery Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock.

Connie Edgon and Walter Nix became involved in a quarrel here Friday night, while both were drunk on White Mule. Nix in an attempt to shoot Edgon, shot himself in the knee. The trouble being close to the home of G. F. Deane, Mr. Deane went out to try and stop the men, when Nix attempted to shoot Deane, but he seeing the attempt made, jerked the gun out of Nix's hand, striking him on the head. Marshal W. H. Deane arrested the men, but Nix

being hurt, Deane had his wounds dressed and removed to the home of his mother. Edgon was taken to the county jail by Sheriff Kerr, where he was bailed out by his brother-in-law, John Sonder. The preliminary was set for Wednesday, March 21st.

NEWS LETTER FROM CHAFFEE

J. D. Allison spent the week-end at home.

M. E. Gisi spent the week-end with his parents at Ste. Genevieve.

Mrs. Clyde Roberts and Mrs. G. H. Finley had legal business at Benton Friday.

John Moss, former Metropolitan Life Insurance agent was in Chaffee Monday.

Mrs. V. E. Hopkins and son Billy, visited her mother at Hayti during the week-end.

Dennis Elrod spent the week-end at home. He is attending the normal at Cape Girardeau.

W. D. Moore spent the week-end with his family. He is a conductor and his terminal is at St. Louis.

The W. C. T. U. society met at the home of Mrs. W. O. Finney this week and shared a very enjoyable afternoon.

Postmaster Wiley has recently established himself in a desirable industry and desires to be relieved by his successor at an early date.

The office of Mayor is not represented on the ballot for April election. A. W. Fay, the only candidate who had announced, recently withdrew his name.

An unusual precipitation visited Chaffee Thursday that made veritable canals out of some of the streets until the swell subsided. It is reported that ten inches of water fell.

Rev. Robert Layfield, the Evangelist, is having a wonderful series of religious services at the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches. He is a personal friend of the local editor.

Mrs. De Witt, mother of Mary Bisplinghoff, returned to her home at Springfield Friday. Mrs. De Witt had been visiting her daughter and granddaughter at Chaffee the past two weeks.

Miss Myrtle Alsbrook, a valued sales lady for E. F. Eggiman Mercantile Co., surprised her many friends by being married last week to a Mr. Miller near Commerce. She has resigned her position and has taken up her new duties.

The residence of R. S. Edwards on Second and Davidson caught fire Friday afternoon and required the fire truck to extinguish the flames. The east roof was damaged, requiring a renewal. Slight damage was done to the interior by the water.

Two more Civil Service students at the Chillicothe Business College received appointments last week. One as an accountant at Washington, D. C., at \$1440 per year initial salary, the other typist at \$1240.

The large steel bridge under construction over the main drainage ditch at Wahite Spur near Morehouse was badly damaged yesterday, when accumulating drift on the crest of a rapid rise of water in the ditch piling it away and allowing the portion of the bridge, which was in place, to collapse. The accident will delay the work, not considering the damages, which must be borne by the contractors, the Vincennes Bridge Construction Company.—Poplar Bluff Democrat.

NEW MADRID COUNTY REAL ESTATE SALES

H. E. Wolf and wife to Wm. Fields, all of New Madrid County: Lot 3 in block 41 in Dixie E. Stout's 2nd add. to city of Parma. \$170.

A. F. Brooks and wife to Wm. Algier and Co. of N. M. County. A certain parcel of ground located in Tallapoosa, in sec. 36, twp. 22, range 11. For a more particular description see book 79, page 309. \$1.00 and other valuable consideration.

B. F. Swartz and wife of New Madrid county to W. M. Jobe of New Madrid county: Lots 7 and 8 in blk. 20 in the village of Catron. \$150.

Martin William and wife to Bessie Mocabee all of New Madrid County: Lots 17 and 18 in block 29, City of Morehouse. \$1.00.

Bessie Mocabee and husband to Mrs. Delphia William: Lots 17 and 18, blk. 29, City of Morehouse. \$1.00.

Louis Albrecht and wife of Illinois to Henry Baden of Cape Girardeau: SW 1/4 of sec. 25, twp. 23, range 15, containing 151 acres. \$1.00.

Laura B. Steward and husband of Marston to W. S. McMillin of New Madrid County: All of block 77 in Barnes-2nd Add. to the town of Marston. \$1081.

Louis M. Koch and wife of St. Louis to Wm. Alliger of New Madrid County: Lots 5 and 6 in block 3 of the town of Tallapoosa. \$200.

Marriage Licenses
C. R. Crow, Braggadocia and Ada Tottaton, Marston.

Joseph Brown and Florence Powers, La Valle.

Joseph Newton and Dolla Hubbard, Kewanee.

Aaron C. Yarkhouse and Bessie L. Dvorak, Gideon.

John N. Barrett and Etta Young, Parma.

Samuel O. Prestage and Martha Kinsey, Tallapoosa.

John H. Cook and Dorothy E. Martin, Parma.

QUAINT SETTINGS IN HOLT PICTURES

One of those quaint settings that always elicits a chorus of "oh's" and "ah's" from the spectators—especially those who are past middle age, will be seen in Jack Holt's new Paramount picture, "While Satan Sleeps", which will be presented next Friday at the Malone Theatre.

The setting represents the rectory in a small western mining town, which has been furnished by the parishioners. Shells, a stuffed owl, religious books and papers, embroidered mottoes, oil lamps, a card receptacle in the shape of two outspread hands, old fashioned furniture and rag rugs—make up a scene that is distinctly appropriate.

One of the girls of the town presents Mr. Holt, in the role of Parson Phil, with a Bible inscribed: "To our pastor from one of the lambs of his flock", or words to that effect.

Joseph Henabery directed the picture, which is based on Peter B. Kyne's story, "The Parson of Panamint".

James E. Smith, Sr., is in receipt of a letter from his son, Emory, stationed at Panama as a wireless operator, in which he says he took an examination aboard the battleship New Mexico along with eleven operators for a position aboard an United States destroyer and was the only one of the number to pass. Mr. Smith at once cabled him congratulations. Emory will be 21 years of age when his four years' enlistment expires.

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SCOTT COUNTY REAL ESTATE SALES

Howard E. Morrison to Mrs. Adie C. Dover, both of Skeston: Lot 17 and E 1/2 16 in block 4, City of Skeston. \$1.00.

Norval F. Anderson, Wade G. Anderson and Chas. M. Wylie and wives all of Commerce to Commerce Lodge No. 543 I. O. O. F. Part of lots 31 and 32 in Commerce. \$700.

James P. Holmes to Mable Unnerstall, both of Rockview: Lot 5, blk. 1, Village of Rockview. \$1.00.

Mable Unnerstall to Earl H. Miller, both of Rockview: Lot 5, blk. 1, Village of Rockview. \$150.

O. J. Sawyer and wife of Chaffee to J. Frank Brycans, Oran: SE 1/4 of the SE 14 sec. 15, 28, 12, 40 acres. \$2650.

J. Frank Brycans and wife to C. F. Adams, all of Oran: SE 1/4 of the SE 14 sec. 15, 28, 12, 40 acres. \$2650.

Charles Watkins and wife to W. A. Maddox, all of Oran: Lots 5 and 6, block B in Smith's add. to Oran. \$1.00 and other valuables.

F. M. Lauderdale to Mamie Lauderdale, both of Morley, block 1, 2 and 3 in town of Morley. \$1.00.

Warren W. Anglin and wife to W. H. White, all of Illinois: Lots 23 and 24 in block 5, Hilleman's addition to Illinois. \$700.

H. S. Sadler and wife of East St. Louis, Ill., to Anna R. Jungers, Illinois: E 1/2 lot 2, W 1/2 lot 4 and all lot 3, in blk. 6, Bell's addition to Edna, now Fornefelt. \$1600.

Lawrence Lux to August Lux, both of Kelso. E 1/2 of lot 3 of the NW 1/4 of sec. 3, 29, 13, 54 acres. \$1,000.00.

G. W. Page to Effie M. Page, both of Crowder: Lots 19, 20 and 21, blk. 4, town of Crowder. \$1.00.

T. J. Rasberry and wife to Lawrence Lux, all of Scott County: 55 acres of land in sec. 9, 29, 13. \$1200.

George B. Murray and wife of Olney, Ill., to W. R. Batts, Rockview, Mo.: Lots 4 and 5 in block 1 of Rockview Junction. \$140.

J. H. Barnett and Archie D. Barnett and wives to J. E. Harper, all of Skeston. Lot 4 in block 1, Apple-gate's 2nd Add. to City of Skeston. \$550.

Donald C. McLees and wife, of Dowell, Ill., to Roscoe Webb, Illinois: Lot 90 of the original town of Commerce. \$1500.

Mrs. Estel Minter and husband to Mrs. Clara L. Dailey, all of Vanduser: Lots 5 and 6 in block 2 in Woodward's 1st Add. to the town of Vanduser. \$750.

Chas. W. Dunger, et al to August and Minnie Schiwitz, all of Scott County: Lots 7 and 8 block 1, town of Edna; lots 9 and 10, block 3, Fornefelt-Schuette Add. to Edna; lots 14 and 15 in block 3 Fornefelt-Schuette add. lots 10, 11, 1, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19 in block 4, Schuette's 3rd add. to city of Fornefelt. \$1000.

Homer Decker and wife to John C. Russell, all of Skeston. Entombment space (10 tombs) in the Skeston Mausoleum. \$2500.

G. B. Kellems and wife to J. C. Wylie and F. G. Packwood, all of Chaffee: Lots 14 and 15 in block 39 in the town of Chaffee. \$119.

Marriage Licenses
Lee Poyner to Bertha Rushing, both of Vanduser.
Walter Hemphill (Col.) to Eliza Thomas (Col.), both of Skeston.
Louis A. Williams, to Rosay Jenkins, both of Risco.
T. N. Elkins to Stella Davenport, both of Illinois.
Elam Brooks, Jackson, to Mary Atchison, Cape Girardeau.

Norval Gibson to Lena Hargrave, both of Skeston.
Cleveland Jewell, Illinois to Nora Davis, Randles.

Get your tickets at Pitman Tailor Shop for the Free Suit.
Don't forget the suit to be given away at Pitman's Tailor Shop, April 28.

FOR SALE—Good strain of partidge Wyandotte-cockerels and pullets; also eggs for hatching. Phone 519.

WANTED—Three rooms furnished for light housekeeping near the business section. Address post office box 294, Skeston, Mo.

Notice of Administration
Notice is hereby given, that letters of administration on the estate of James A. Bradley, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 1st day of March, 1923, by the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within six months after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of said letters, they shall be forever barred.

MRS. LUCY JACKSON, Administratrix.
Witness my hand and seal of the (SEAL) Probate Court of Scott County.

THOS. B. DUDLEY, Probate Judge.

Notice of Administration

Notice is hereby given, that letters testamentary on the estate of Frances Johnson, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 12th day of March, 1923, by the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within six months after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of said letters, they shall be forever barred.

CARL W. JOHNSON, Executor.
Witness my hand and seal of the (SEAL) Probate Court of Scott County.

THOS. B. DUDLEY, Probate Judge.

Notice of General City Election

A general city election will be held in the City of Skeston, Mo., on Tuesday, April 3, 1923, for the purpose of electing one alderman from each of the four wards of the city.

The voting precincts will be located as follows:

1st Ward at City Hall.
2nd Ward at Overland Garage.
3rd Ward at Star Service Co. Garage.
4th Ward at Russell Bros. office.
The polls will open at 6:00 o'clock a. m. and close at 7 o'clock p. m. on election day.

C. E. FELKER, Mayor.
Attest: Audrey Chaney, City Clerk.

Notice of School Election

In compliance with Section 11251 Revised Statutes 1919 notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of School District No. 54 (Skeston) County of Scott, State of Missouri, that the Annual School Election of said District will be held at the four regular places in the four wards of the City of Skeston, on Tuesday the 3d day of April, 1923, commencing at 6 o'clock in the morning and closing at 7 o'clock in the evening of the same day, and among other things specified by law, the following will be proposed and considered:

1. The proposition of voting a tax levy of 100 cents on each \$100.00 assessed valuation of said School District for School purposes.
2. The proposition of electing two School Directors for a term of three years.

Done by order of the Board of Education this 10th day of March, 1922.

R. E. BAILEY, Secretary Board of Education.

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A miscellaneous shower was given by Mrs. J. M. Sizze and Mrs. Floyd Earl Rouse last Friday evening for Mrs. Ernest Ellis, formerly Miss Vernetta Sizze, at the home of Mrs. Sizze on North Kingshighway. The following is a list of the gifts and their donors: Mrs. H. L. Rice, St. Louis, dresser scarf, pillow cases, bath towels; Mrs. C. C. Buchanan and Mrs. Amos Buchanan, aluminum roaster; Mrs. F. A. Denton and Miss Alfreda Denton, cut glass goblets; Mrs. Wade Sizze, bed spread; Mrs. J. M. Sizze, aluminum pitcher; Mrs. Ernest Tongate, boudoir cap; Mrs. Ed Albright, bath set; Mrs. F. E. Rouse, bath set; Misses Ruth Artburn, Elizabeth Welch, Willie Jones, linen tablecloth; Mrs. John A. Matthews, aluminum teakettle; Miss Cora Matthews, kitchen set; Mrs. Joe Whitener, bath towels; Mrs. Boyd Scillian and Miss Pearl Hamby, initial pillow cases; Mrs. Harvey Morrison and Miss Abbie Morrison, bath set; Miss Stella Adams, boudoir cap; Misses Margaret and Pearl Jones, bath towels; Mrs. R. H. Hamby, dresser scarf; Mrs. August R. Halter, St. Louis, sherry glasses; Mrs. Roy Chaney, dresser scarf; Miss Thelma Carson, bath set; Mrs. W. M. Carson, embroidered pillow top; Mrs. R. S. Hunter, Mrs. V. D. Hunter, and Mrs. Chas. Burns, cut glass candy jar; Mrs. Ralph Loeb, aluminum sauce pan; Miss Fern Scott, boudoir cap.

Don't fail to see Co. K and head-quarter Company of the 140th Inf. in action at Malone Theatre.

Mrs. Jess Kimes has returned from Memphis, Tenn., where she had been called on account of the illness of some of her relatives.

SPOILED SALMON IS SHIPPED HERE

Approximately 7500 cans of spoiled salmon, which have reached the shelves of retail grocers in Cape Girardeau, Sikeston, Poplar Bluff and Dexter, are to be confiscated by government agents and United States marshals.

J. A. Pitts, of the Bureau of Chemistry, United States Department of Agriculture, arrived in Cape Girardeau early today and with Deputy United States Marshal O. A. Koehans prepared to seize the spoiled goods.

Four brands are named in the libel filed in Federal district court here.

One hundred cases of the decomposed fish were sent here to the Meyer-Albert Grocer Company for distribution. The McKnight-Keaton Grocer Company at Sikeston got 20 cases of the salmon, the McYover and were placing it on the market at the price of first-class goods. Chemists who examined more than 4,000 cans of the salmon taken from various parts of the Mississippi valley, reported the alleged defect in the goods, and it was on their recommendation that the salmon was ordered confiscated.—Southeast Missourian.

A Standard reporter called on J. N. Ross, manager of the McKnight-Keaton Wholesale Grocery, and he informed him that the Sikeston public need have no hesitancy in buying salmon in Sikeston as the spoiled article had not been distributed to any of our Sikeston groceries, but was held intact at the wholesale office, to be taken over by the government officials.

The second annual Inter-High School track and field meet will be held at the Southeast Missouri District Fair Ground, April 27. All High Schools within auto-driving distance are invited. Several events for girls have been added this year.

An annual essay contest, for which a medal is offered by J. A. and H. C. Young, is to be held at the High School in April. The subject for this year is "Fire Prevention". The best essays will be judged on thought, and then the writer judged on delivery. Watch for the date.

Mrs. Clodfelter of Essex was a visitor to Sikeston, Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sikes were going up Monday night.

Louis Watkins out Vanduser way is mightily bunged up with a misery in his back. He denies it is old age creeping over him.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Johnson are in St. Louis. Mr. Johnson is attending a School of Mechanics connected with the Ford Motor Co.

Mrs. Claude Gill and daughter, Mrs. Raymond Lemm of Caruthersville were visitors to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Heiser Friday and Saturday.

An epic of the great Northwest—stronger, and Love triumphs over all.—Malone Theatre, Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. Kruger, of St. Louis, who so delightfully entertained those attending his organ recital Tuesday evening, was the dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Gervig. Mrs. Gervig was formerly a pupil of Mr. Kruger.

Little Miss Lavinia Moll, of Grand Chain, Ill., who is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Sheppard, had as six o'clock dinner guests Thursday, Little Misses Ruby Bloomfield and Virginia McCarty.

Mrs. T. Meyers is having a garage built on the lot on East Prairie Ave. and Lake place. Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Lindley will move into this property, having sold their home on North Ranney to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Keith.

G. M. Greer, Frank Van Horne and others from the Sikeston vicinity attended a Regional Pruning Meeting at Cape Girardeau Thursday. C. C. Hearne and Mr. Boles of the State Horticultural Department at Columbia, put on the demonstration.

This week 40,000 spring announcements are being mailed the teachers of eight states telling them of the special summer courses at the Chulicthe Business College beginning April 9 and June 4, in which they may prepare as commercial teachers or for important secretarial positions.

Please take notice that Manager McCutchen will show on the screen in Sikeston next Monday and Tuesday evenings the very top liner, that is in St. Louis this week. Sikeston is fortunate in having such an enterprising picture show man who believes in getting the late releases. Cape Girardeau has on this week pictures that were here three weeks ago.

Advertising real bargains and liberal use of printers ink has forced on some of our non-advertisers the fact that there must be something to it. All day long Thursday the Buckner-Ragsdale Store was so jammed that the doors had to be closed at times. This firm covered the four counties with their advertising and it got results. It is said that some other merchants almost exhausted themselves walking by this store so often.

Sikeston is to be highly commended for the splendid manner in which she put over the shoe factory proposition. A concern that will employ six hundred is of untold value to any town, and Sikeston realized this and made up a bonus of \$70,000 for the owners of the factory. This will probably be a bigger factor in making Sikeston a bigger and better town than any one project that has ever been attempted there. The Demonstration is strong for the metropolis of Scott county, and believes that considerable money that is now being spent outside could be attracted by Sikeston merchants if there was concerted action on the part of the business men of that city.—Benton Democrat.

FOR SALE—Good June clover hay \$17.50 a ton.—Homer Decker.

FOR SALE—Extra good clover hay \$20 per ton delivered in town.—P. H. Buchholz, Route 2, box 2, Sikeston, Mo. 11.

LOST—Physicians medicine case. Black leather, between the town of Matthews and Kingshighway road. Reward for return. Phone 244.—T. M. McClure, M. D., Scott County Mfg. Co. Bldg.

A regional meeting of County Agents and Farm Bureau officers of Southeast Missouri has been called for Sikeston, March 28.

The meeting will be held at the Chamber of Commerce, beginning at 10:00 a. m.

This meeting has been called by the Missouri State Farm Bureau Federation headquarters at Jefferson City, and will be attended by state Farm Bureau and College of Agriculture officials.

All phases of Farm Bureau activity will be discussed, and particularly membership work. The regional conference will be followed by meetings of state farm bureau officials with county executive committees.

Agents Wanted

Man with car preferred. Big money making proposition. Sell Milburned and thoroughly enjoyed by Sikeston. Sikeston Friday night, for the purpose of organizing a club for the wire for territory rights.—Baxter & Richardson Company, Kirksville, Mo.

Sikeston Standard \$1.50 per year. Vote of thanks.

The organ recital at the Methodist Church by Mr. Kroger, of St. Louis, Tuesday night, was highly appreciated. Sikeston Friday night, for the purpose of organizing a club for the wire for territory rights.—Baxter & Richardson Company, Kirksville, Mo.

Dempster Furniture Co.'s Cash Sale

For a limited time we will give a 10 per cent discount on all our

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It Never Happened Before in Sikeston

A Chance to Get a Fine \$85 Bed Room Suit FREE!

With every purchase at our Meat Market between now and May 3d, we will give you a ticket good for one chance on this fine Bed Room Suit. If your purchase amounts to One Dollar or under, you get one ticket; if over One Dollar and not over Two Dollars, you get two tickets, etc.

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Phone your orders or call in person with them. They will be given the same careful attention.

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Sikeston, Missouri

MISSOURI COTTON GROWERS CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATION

Scott and New Madrid Counties have been chosen by the Organization Committee for the honor of conducting the first week of the sign-up campaign for the Missouri Cotton Growers Co-operative Association.

The sign-up drive was started Monday with an all day school of instruction at the Organization Committee Headquarters in Sikeston, in the Chamber of Commerce rooms.

All county and district chairmen, team captains and canvassers, chairmen and members of the county and district publicity and business men's committees, were invited to attend the school of instruction, which started at 9:30 and continued until the work was thoroughly explained and understood by all. Lunch was served by the Organization Committee so that no time was lost.

Tuesday morning the drive started in earnest. Canvassing teams called on every farmer who produces or plans to produce cotton, and asked to enroll in the Association and join with the progressive cotton farmers in all the Southern states who have already signed up in exactly similar associations whose work has been so effective that the best cotton authorities in the country now give the co-operative movement credit for the steadiness of the market and much of the rise in the value of cotton in the past two years.

Each county will be campaigned by its own County Organization Committee, operating under the general direction of the State Organization Committee.

In Scott County the County Chairman is W. H. Tanner. Those who have been asked to co-operate in the drive in Scott so far are:

Publicity Committee—C. H. Denman, C. L. Blanton, Alden Pinney, C. E. Matlocks and E. L. Purcell.

Sikeston District—Chairman, Bill Sikes, team captains, J. A. Roth, J. W. Baker, Jr., Theo. Hopper. Canvassers—W. H. Keasler, John J. Reiss, Tom Sheehy, Hez. Ozment, James Hodge, Wallace Applegate.

Morley District—Chairman H. F. Emerson, Team Captains, B. C. Williams, Louis Watkins; Canvassers, L. W. Ravelle, L. C. Leslie, Fred Black, Louis Guber.

Oran District—Chairman, L. C. Hamm; Team Captains, Wm. Oliver, M. C. Dunn; Canvassers, R. Q. Black, S. P. Bollinger, E. C. Brann, W. W. Hooker.

Commerce District—Chairman, C. Luper; Team Captains, Ben Heartling, George Buck, T. C. Bryant; Canvassers, Joe Ellis, Wm. Rahmoeller, Lem Buck, Geo. Vetter, D. C. Adams, John Spaulding.

Blodgett District—Geo. Buchanan, Chairman; Team Captains, T. E. Chewning, W. M. Bailey, Bill McBride; Canvassers, J. M. Tirdell, Roy Kneezel, Will Berendes, J. M. Chappell, Jess Walton, Jim Given. Others will be added.

Business men's committees have been asked to help in the canvass by the display of endorsement cards, recommendation of the co-operative system to their customers, and assisting in every way in the sign-up campaign. Every business man is requested to render every possible assistance to this movement, which means keeping a larger proportion of the value of the cotton in the community in which it is produced.

The business men who have been asked to serve on the Scott County committee so far are: Sikeston, C. D. Matthews, Alfred Sikes, M. G. Gresham, Ranney Applegate, J. W. Bakery, Morley, Roy Leslie, P. H. Boyce, Judge R. L. Harrison, W. H. Black, John Beardsley; Oran, L. C. Hamm, F. S. Bice, Dr. W. Westcoat, Rev. C. Moenig; Commerce, W. Heiserer, Joe Moore, C. L. Leedy; Blodgett, J. W. Packer, Dr. Wm. Allen, Wm. McBride.

In New Madrid County the personnel is not completed as this is written, canvassers and members of the local business men's committees not having been appointed, but this will be completed this week.

C. M. Barnes is county chairman. The publicity committee consists of O. A. Allen, Jr., E. A. Wright, J. T. Yager, Louis Laver and Wm. E. J. Sikes, Fred Hetledge, J. W. Collins, F. A. Penman. Team captains are: Frank Deane, Willard Russell, J. A. Engle, Geo. Rickus, Chas. Pinkey, R. C. Trimble, J. D. Twitty, Wade Tucker, Frank Henry, C. M. Bandy, J. J. Klipfel, Howard Wrian.

County chairman of the business men's committee is M. F. Ehlers. District chairman, E. L. Griffin, M. J. Conran, C. W. Stevenson, W. W. Large.

The canvass will be carried on intensively through the week.

All cotton farmers will meet in their own districts Friday night and organize their locals.

Saturday all committee members and workers will meet at Sikeston to

turn in a report and figure up results. Thereafter the canvass will be continued by the members and local officers and business men, while the initial campaign moves into the other counties, until the whole of the cotton counties in Missouri have been covered.

Thereafter, the members will elect their directors and set up the organization.

Since the old Southern system that has taken such large toll from the older districts has not been fully extended to Missouri, it is hoped by the organization committee that a very large enrollment will result among Missouri cotton growers.

"There is no necessity," said Chairman X. Caverno, a few days ago, for the cotton growers of this section to be saddled with the old marketing system that has practically ruined the cotton growers of the South. We can start with a better method—co-operative cotton marketing."

Story of "The Kick-Back"

Harry Redding, known as "White Horse Harry" (Harry Carey) on the frontier, is deeply in love with Nellie Belden, who, through unfortunate circumstances, is compelled to work as a waitress in a restaurant in the small town near Harry's home. On his land he has that prized possession of the desert, a water hole.

The precious water hole on White Horse Harry's land is coveted by Aaron Price, a cold, unscrupulous sheep owner, who practically owns everything of any value in the town. He also covets Nellie and, in his own way, is willing to go to any lengths to get her.

Aaron Price has two henchmen. The one most close to him is known as "Chalk Eye", who got his name because of his one sightless eye. Pete Harris is also a tool of the villainous Price. He delivers an offer from Price to Harry for the water hole property but it is turned down. Harry is trying to get enough money to get his home in such shape that he and Nellie may be married and live there in comfort.

Price and Chalk Eye connive at a scheme which they figure will land Price both the water hole and the girl. They "frame-up" Harry so that he will undertake a job of herding back from Mexico to the United States a drove of horses. Pete Harris puts the proposition to Harry and offers him a hundred dollars for the work. Harry is so anxious to get the money for his approaching marriage that he agrees to deliver the horses without thinking the matter over. The documents which permit him to bring the horses across the Rio Grande are given to him but they are forgeries prepared by Aaron Price.

Harry goes on his errand across the line. He does not tell Nellie any of the details of the enterprise because the shrewd Aaron Price had anticipated such a possibility by telling Harry that it might be bad business; that other people might get in ahead of him and make a big horse sale. At the ranch of Ramon Pinellos, Harry collects the horses and, after considerable persuasion gets old Ramon and his young and virile daughter to ride with him to bring the steeds back across the river.

In the meantime, however, Harris had ridden to the Captain of Mexican Rurales of that district and had told him that a "Texano" was planning to get away with a whole herd of horses with false documents. The Captain and his men ride to the river ford and try to stop Harry but he, with Ramon and the girl don't dare stop because they know that if they cease driving the horses they will scatter and that it will be impossible to get them together again. Instead, Harry rolls up the documents in a ball and throws them over his shoulder to the Rurale Captain. The captain orders pursuit and Harry and his little band find themselves in the meshes of the Mexicans.

In a melee that follows one of the Mexican soldiers falls off his horse in the scuffle and Harry, although he endeavors to rescue him, is accused of murdering him by the haughty captain of the Mexicans. For a while it looks as though Harry is going to make his escape. Though hit in the shoulder by a Mexican bullet, he succeeds in swimming to the American shore. There, however, are Price and Chalk Eye and Harry is cruelly kept from landing and is forced back to mid-stream where the Rurales succeed in lassoing him. He is dragged to a Mexican prison and condemned to death. His plea with the captain to spare Ramon and his daughter, Conchita, is successful, however, and they are sent home.

Conchita, who is grateful to Harry for saving her and her father, visits him in the jail. She brings him a small knife, thinking that he may be able to dig his way out with it. This is impossible but Harry uses it as a clever ruse.

He pours some wine on his shirt, holds the knife in his hand and shouts for the guard. When the guard enters the cell, Harry trips him and, fighting his way past several more of the jailers, gains his freedom and, at last, the American shore. Before he gains the ford, however, Conchita places around his neck a locket out of gratitude for his kindness.

When Harry reaches his own home, he discovers the place almost in ruins. He reaches Nellie's side only to discover that her mind has been poisoned against him. The locket, which she discovers around his neck, she attributes to a Mexican girl that Price had told her was Harry's sweetheart on the other side of the Rio Grande. She turns from him and he goes out to find Price and Chalk Eye.

These two conspirators are in a saloon and have devised a scheme to "get" Harry. Chalk Eye picks a quarrel with him and throws a drink in his face. Harry doesn't reach for his handkerchief as they expect him to but wipes his face with his sleeve. They figured that in reaching for his handkerchief it would look as though he were reaching for a gun and then Chalk Eye could shoot him and give the impression that he did it in self-defense.

A fight ensues—a bitter, gruelling fight—in which Chalk Eye is worsted and he tells "White Horse Harry" that the town isn't large enough for both of them and that if Harry isn't out of it by five o'clock he would be shot.

At five o'clock that afternoon Chalk Eye is in a bar alone and Harry enters quietly through the rear entrance. Chalk Eye draws his gun, fires and misses. Harry draws quickly and shoots his assailant. There are no witnesses however, and Price and Harris contrive to give the people the impression that Harry murdered Chalk Eye in cold blood. Harry is arrested and put in jail. Harris in the meantime is inciting the mob to lynch Harry. Conchita, the Mexican girl, seeing how the land lies, rides like the wind for the Texas Rangers, who are encamped near the river.

Before going she tells Nellie that Harry is only a friend to her and that her only feeling towards him is one of gratitude.

Nellie prevails on Price to have a conversation with her alone. She gives him the impression that she is succumbing to his endearments and manages to get the jail keys from

his pocket, which he has purloined from the sheriff. She runs from him and throws them at the window where Harry stands. But they hit a bar and fall to the ground.

The angry mob, under the influence of Pete Harris, have by now broken into the jail and delivered Harry. They have him with a rope around his neck, ready to lynch him, when the Rangers, with Conchita at their head, ride up and save "White Horse" from death. Pete Harris and Aaron Price are arrested for collusion and for the rest of their villainies and Harry and Nellie return to the house at the water hole. Harry tears down the sign which reads that Aaron Price, in Harry's absence, had asked his own claim to the property. They decide not to wait but to marry and to remake the little home at the water hole.

This picture will be shown at the Malone Theatre Saturday night.

HIGH PRICES MAKE NECESSARY CARE OF LEATHER EQUIPMENT

The continued high price of leather makes it a wise precaution on the part of the farmer to put his leather equipment into good working condition before the spring rush starts. Properly selected leather more than repays in good service the care spent upon it and reduces materially the amount the farmer must expend on this one item.

Specialists in the Bureau of Chemistry, United States Department of Agriculture, have learned that the durability of machine belts, driving belts, harness, and other leather articles used by the farmer can be greatly increased after a judicious selection in the first place by giving them the care that will strengthen and preserve them.

Boots and shoes will last longer and will keep the dry if well greased during the wet season, while the serviceability of harness is rendered greater by careful cleaning and oiling three or four times a year. Suggestions to lengthen the life of leather goods are given in Farmers' Bulletin 1183, The Care of Leather, which may be obtained from the department upon request.

According to the superintendent of the Shelbyna light and power plant, it takes about \$11 worth of oil each twenty-four hours to operate the oil engines installed several months ago, as against \$35 worth of coal for the former engines in use.

The Confederate "Shin Plaster"

The paper money of the Confederacy, now of interest only to the collector, was engraved in Crane's bank not paper.

Of course, this paper was not issued until after the declaration of war between the North and South but the ordinary bank not circulating in the South was quite frequently engraved on Crane's bank not paper, so that most transactions of the time, including the buying and selling of slaves, was carried on, where

money was used, with Crane's papers.

The Southern Confederacy has passed away—its paper money has no value. Even the bitterness and feeling that the war excited have been outgrown and forgotten. The reunited United States has grown stronger and stronger, financially and otherwise. It has even survived a greater war, but Crane's papers, the manufacture of which began long before the Civil War, are still made in the mills at Dalton, where the enterprise was first located by the Zenas

Crane and his associates.

We just wish to remind our customers, and prospective customers, that we use nothing but Crane's Kid Finish Dresend White stock for visiting cards; this is absolutely the best visiting card stock in the world, and the people who want the best and know it when they see it will have nothing else.

The cucumber is one of the oldest of the garden vegetables. Some 3000 years ago in the Far East, probably in Indian, it had its origin.



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it steers—how faithfully it holds the road.

Test its acceleration, power, flexibility. Drive through traffic at low speed in high gear. See how conveniently it can be parked where space is limited.

Then compare any car within \$300 of its price with the Special-Six. Compare the specifications, performance, comfort, appearance and refinements.

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Touring.....	\$ 975	Touring.....	\$1275	Touring.....	\$1750
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Implement Dept., New Building

PUBLIC SALE

SATURDAY, MARCH 24

Commencing at 2:00 P. M.

There will be held a public sale at McCord's Auction Barn on above named date, the following property, to-wit:

8 mules, 1 mare, 1 black Jersey cow, 2 McCormick binders, 1 Massey-Harris mower, 2 hay rakes, 3 wagons, 1 one-horse plow, 2 disc harrows, 2 riding cultivators, 2 walking cultivators, 3 sulky plows, 2 wheat drills, 1 corn planter, 1 straw cutter, 1 scraper.

TERMS—All sums under \$10, cash; over that amount a secured note bearing 8 per cent interest due January 1, 1924. 5 per cent discount for cash.

R. A. McCord, Auc.

Lacy Allard, Clerk.

COTTON CAMPAIGN
LAUNCHED MONDAY

Last Monday the membership sign-up campaign for the Missouri Cotton Growers' Co-operative Association was formerly launched for Scott and New Madrid Counties.

It was started by what was termed a "School of Instruction" for those engaged in carrying the co-operative message to the cotton farmers and in securing their membership for the Association.

The meeting was held at the Chamber of Commerce in Sikeston, and despite the cold and disagreeable weather, leading farmers and business men were present from practically all important points in both counties.

The morning session was diverted to working out personnel for canvassing teams. Luncheon was served to the crowd in the Chamber of Commerce rooms by Fred Schorle.

Following the lunch—for more than three hours—everyone present devoted their entire attention to an intensive and comprehensive study of co-operative marketing in all its phases, the membership campaign and the method of operation of the Association when organized.

Discussion was led by Charles M. Morgan, Campaign Director, and W. H. Tanner, Secretary of the Organization Committee, ably assisted by C. M. Barnes of New Madrid County and many others from among those present at the meeting.

The fact developed that more than half a million American farmers are members of successful marketing associations formed on exactly the same contract—the Sapiro marketing contract—as is being used for the formation of the Missouri Association. These include among others approximately 200,000 members of 10 State Cotton Associations and more than 230,000 members of the five big Tobacco Marketing Associations, as well as many other types of farmers business organizations for the handling of many different commodities.

"The essential difference between the old type of Co-operative Marketing, which used to fail about nineteen out of twenty times, and the new type which has been operating now for two years in cotton, two years in tobacco, and more than ten years in various types of California products and which do not fail, is this.

"The old idea of co-operation was the locality idea. The successful and modern idea of co-operative marketing is the commodity idea".

"Commodity co-operative marketing recognizes the fact that locality of production is of no importance whatever from the standpoint of marketing, but that the important thing is a sufficient supply—and not too much—of the commodity available at the time and the place of the demand".

"Modern commodity co-operative marketing organizations, of which the Missouri Association will be one, are therefore based on the idea of the administrative unites, usually on a statement basis of working together through a National Organization made up of all associations handling the same product and definitely protecting their work and thus avoiding destructive competition between organizations".

During the course of the day it was brought out that the Burley Tobacco Association has during its operations added to the value of the 1921 and 1922 crops of Burley tobacco at least \$50,000,000 more than would have been secured for it without the association. It was demonstrated also that the cotton Associations operated in the sale of the 1921 crop, by their method of orderly selling throughout the entire season and the payment to the members of the average price received for each grade and quality, succeeded in securing for their members an average of more than \$10 a bale above the street price and this in spite of the fact that the marketing value of cotton declined throughout the season.

The State Associations and five additional Associations organized during the previous years have been operating the past season and it is very evident at this time that their members will receive an average of more than \$25 per bale above the price received by the average grower outside the Associations. They have paid before this time an average of nearly \$10 a bale more than the independent grower received for their cotton and still have some cotton to be sold and a great deal of money to be distributed.

The acreage planted to cob pipe corn in Southeast Missouri this season will not be so large as the past two years. Pipe factories have had an over supply of cobs and will use the supply now on hand in warehouses.

BUCKNER-RAGSDALE COMPANY
BIG FIRE SALE

BUY YOUR EASTER SUIT NOW AT A BIG SAVING

Right at the time when you are most interested in brightening up your wardrobe, we offer you the chance of a lifetime to supply your needs at sacrifice prices. Merchandise that represents the pick from America's foremost manufacturers. Thousands of dollars worth in this sale has arrived since the fire, and merchandise arriving daily will be placed on sale as fast as it can be put in stock at prices far under regular selling prices. We mention a few items from different lines:

Men's best grade Overalls	\$1.19	Men's canvas gloves	9c
Men's white cambric handkerchiefs	10c	Men's felt hats	\$2.45
Men's dollar silk sox	55c	Men's blue work shirts	49c
Ladies' silk hose	95c	Children's white stockings	10c
Van Raalte Hose	\$2.15	Boy's dress shirts	65c
Men's dress shirts	65c	Silk ties	40c
Men's light cotton sox	8c	Knit ties	40c
Manhattan shirts	\$1.95	Fifty boy's suits	\$3.98
Dollar union suits	65c		

MEN'S CLOTHING

Over a hundred new spring suits have come in since we were closed. These suits have been put on sale with our stock already on hand, at prices that will mean a lot to the man who wants to make his money do double duty and at the same time be correct in his dress.

SHOES FOR EVERYBODY

Our shoe department is known in every household as the place to buy up-to-the-minute styles, as well as shoes for service, at moderate prices. In this sale you will find the season's very smartest styles at prices that will tempt you to buy more pairs than you really need.

STORE OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL 9:00 O'CLOCK

On account of being closed more than two weeks, we will be open evenings till 9 o'clock that we may better serve our patrons

We have made a big effort to secure competent help and plenty of it. If we should be unable to serve you promptly, please consider that we are doing our best.

BUCKNER-RAGSDALE STORE CO.
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PROPERTY VALUES IN
STATE \$3,952,782,699

Jefferson City, March 17.—Recommendations of values of all real and personal property in the State, as of June 1, 1922, were made to the State Board of Equalization by the Tax Commission late yesterday. The report showed the total true value of all property in the State to be \$3,952,782,699, which was \$74,142,717 greater than the estimates by assessors for June 1, 1922.

On this amount, personal property in the State was valued at \$718,147,213, or \$4,290,710 more than fixed by the assessors. The total real estate was divided into town lots at \$1,634,627,032, or an increase of \$4,787,596 over the assessors' figures, and land valued at \$1,599,981,454, or an increase of \$65,064,411 over the assessors' reports.

The largest personal property valuation was under the head of money, notes and bonds which were fixed at \$208,804,960, which was an increase of \$239,187, on the assessors' figures. Decreases were made by the Tax Commission on mules value at \$16,504,831, which was \$326,708 less and sheep valued at \$1,967,851 showing a decrease of \$42,285 from the assessors' figures.

Other personal property with the increases made over assessors' figures are:

Horses, \$21,968,152; increase, \$434,036.

Asses and jennets, \$258,663; unchanged.

Cattle, \$48,191,097; increased \$1,489,768.

Hogs, \$15,216,452; increased \$983,323.

All other livestock, \$196,607; unchanged.

Bank stock, \$161,176,145; increased, \$765,945.

Corporations other than banks, \$21,398,471; unchanged.

All other personal property, \$222,490,174; increased, \$747,434.

The reports showed the following valuations for Jackson County, which are unchanged unless otherwise noted:

Lands, \$44,674,590. Town lots, \$379,738,530. Horses, \$430,739, unchanged. Mules, \$220,760. Cattle, \$1,138,346. Sheep, \$27,795. Hogs, \$321,590. Money, notes and bonds, \$29,868,276. Bank stock, \$30,595,946. All other personal property, \$63,336,845.

SENATE PASSES BILL TO
SPEED UP HIGHWAY WORK

Jefferson City, March 19.—The State Highway Department's bills to speed up road building and to have the engineering division of the department from disintegration, were passed by the Senate today. There were Senate amendments to the bill authorizing the issuance of an increased amount of bonds and it will be necessary for the bill to go back to the House for concurrence in the amendments.

As passed in the Senate, the bill authorizes the issuance of an additional \$5,000,000 of bonds this year, making \$10,000,000 for the year, and the issuance of \$10,000,000 each in 1924 and 1925, and \$5,000,000 each year thereafter for four years when the \$30,000,000 authorized will have been issued. Under a law passed 2 years ago, the issuance of bonds was limited to \$5,000,000 a year.

The other bill which awaits only the Governor's signature to become a law will increase salaries in the engineering department. The pay of the assistant chief engineer will be increased from \$3600 to \$5000; department heads, from \$3600 to \$4200, and division engineers, from \$3000 to \$3600. It was explained that the road construction companies were bidding for the services of road engineers, and that unless salaries were increased the corps of engineers in the Missouri department probably would be wrecked.

A virile, pulsing drama of the great North West, where honor is ever triumphant in the battle of strong men.—Malone Theatre Monday and Tuesday.

The value of milk consumed on farms in 1922 was nearly equal to the value of the milk sold, according to estimates of the United States Department of Agriculture. The farm value of milk sold is estimated at \$722,000,000 and of milk consumed on farms at \$636,000,000.

Approximately 166,000,000 acres of privately owned forest land are wholly unprotected from fire, says the Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture. On many other areas the protection is incomplete and inadequate. Based on a 6-year average, the annual loss of property from forest fires is \$16,424,000. Yet a yearly expenditure of \$9,263,000 would fairly protect all of the privately owned timber lands in the United States.

FACTORY IN SIKESTON IS NOW A CERTAINTY

When Siketon starts out to put over a proposition of any sort she usually does it right. The proposition to raise \$70,000 toward a factory building for the International Shoe Co. looked to be a mighty big undertaking to ask of any community that was as short of cash as this community. It was a big undertaking, too, but not too big for a community that just had to do something.

President Young of the Chamber of Commerce, hardly slept after the matter was first presented, and in every waking moment talked shoe factory. When he was authorized to select his assistants and they their co-workers, it developed that he was keen in foresight for no better committee could have been selected for the work in hand. The soliciting committee was composed of ten teams and the captain of each team was given a certain number of names that his team was to see. There were no favorites but every individual in or near Siketon who would likely help put the lot sale over was seen. It took five days to complete the lot sale and when all returns were in it was found that 296 lots were disposed of, which will give money enough to lay off and grade the streets and alleys in the new addition.

The following were the teams who sold the lots, the first name being the captain of the team:

- Team 1—J. L. Matthews
E. A. Matthews
Thos. B. Mather.
- Team 2—A. Ray Smith
J. H. Stubbs
H. S. Harper.
- Team 3—W. H. Sikes
J. N. Chaney
Ranney Applegate.
- Team 4—C. E. Felker
F. E. Mount
Jno. Russell.
- Team 5—L. C. Erdmann
V. B. Heisler
E. J. Malone.
- Team 6—E. F. Schorle
George Lough
C. L. Malone.
- Team 7—L. R. Bowman
Phil Gervig
H. A. Smith.
- Team 8—Dan McCoy
W. E. Derris
C. C. Pinnell.
- Team 9—P. M. Malcolm
G. W. Presnell.
- Team 10—Ed Fuchs
W. E. Hollingsworth
W. T. Malone.

It was first announced that the factory would work 450 people but a larger plot of ground was later asked for by the International Shoe Co. and a building sufficient to house 800 employees will be erected.

It is likely that the addition will be platted at an early date and the drawing of lots take place soon after in order that each interested party will know where his lot is and can improve same as soon as convenient.

John A. Young of the Siketon Concrete Tile Construction Co. has orders to erect five houses for one map on his lots just as early as possible and the houses to be of good design and quality.

BOLL WEEVILS LARGELY KILLED BY BLIZZARD

Washington, March 18.—The February blizzard, which overspread most of the cotton belt, is believed to have killed off a large proportion of boll weevils which had gone into winter retirement, and it is the opinion of the government's entomologists that during the initial period of production this year the cotton planters will have a good chance of a bumper crop.

It was pointed out, however, by the Department of Agriculture in a statement today, that should weather conditions during the coming season be unusually favorable for weevil multiplication moderately heavy damage might occur.

The story of a man's regeneration—and new light on the theme, "Greater love hath no man than he who lays down his life for his friend"—Malone Theatre, Monday and Tuesday.

The Siketon De Molay Lodge is in a flourishing condition with plenty of work for every Lodge night. Nine members from Blodgett were accepted at the meeting Monday evening at which time the Hall was well filled with members and Masons.

CO-OPERATION BUILT CHURCH PARSONAGE

Co-operation is a right big word and a right big proposition when rightly worked. Let us tell you a story of the building of a Methodist parsonage in a near-by town by co-operation and practically no money. The Methodist congregation at Morley to the north of us, secured the services of a young preacher from Kentucky to work in their moral vineyard. His salary \$800 per year which was small enough for a married man. He was full of vim and go-get-em and made such an impression on the Board of Stewards that they raised his compensation to \$1000 and agreed to furnish a car in order that he might be of greater service in his field. At a meeting of the Stewards, at a later date, this pastor told them that they needed a parsonage for a home for the preacher. The brethren present said it could not be done, that they could not raise the money. The preacher said he believed it could be built by co-operation, and asked if anyone present could donate the framing for such a building. There was present a man who was running a saw mill. He said he would gladly donate the framing but could give no money. Another man offered the shingles, another the paint and would have it put on. The preacher said he was a carpenter by trade and would put in his work for nothing. Other labor volunteered and the ladies sold lunch and gave more than \$200. Thus the house was built and those passing through Morley will see a very handsome parsonage containing modern conveniences that was built through co-operation. It is a wonderful system when in good working order and can be used to advantage in many different fields.

CONTRACTS TO BE LET FOR CONCRETE ROADS

Bids will be received by the State Highway Department at Jefferson City on March 24 on a portion of the Poplar Bluff-Cairo highway was announced by Frank B. Newton, division engineer.

That portion of the road between St. Francis river at the Butler County line and the west end of the present gravel road being constructed in Stoddard county will be that let. It will be eighteen foot concrete construction such as is being built in Butler county between Poplar Bluff and Fisk. There will be about two and a half miles of this road and it will include the building of a big bridge over the Mingo drainage district ditch.

The State Highway Department is building this piece of road out of Stoddard county's part of the Sixty Million Dollar bond issue funds now available. It is being done because of the importance of the Cairo-Poplar-Bluff road.

Bids will be received on Route 9, Fredericktown to Jackson for grading and building bridges now. This will finally be a very high type road and will be a portion of the Kingshighway.

Another will be the letting of a piece of concrete construction in Pemiscot County, Portageville, south toward Hayti, a project five miles in length.

Another will be in Stoddard county

A Special Purchase and Sale of New Spring Dresses



Friday and Saturday
At the Low Price of

Actual \$19.75
\$22.50, \$25.00
\$29.75 values

\$15

35 new dresses bought at a price concession that makes possible this offering of unusual values.

They are wonderful! You will agree with us that they are really remarkable values at this low price. 100 dresses would not be too many for the people who will want to purchase them when they examine the styles and see the splendid quality materials. There are only 35 in the lot and we advise early selection.

Only by coming to-morrow can you be sure of securing the dress that is most becoming to you.

Don't miss this! You will surely regret it if you fail to attend this extraordinary dress sale. All sizes in the latest spring styles.

Regardless of any other possible announcements, remember that these remarkable dresses are on sale at our store only.

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ty where a gravel road will be let between Bernie and the Dunklin county line.

It is probable that a portion of the Doniphan road in Ripley county will be let by the department in April. The Butler county part of it may wait a year as all of Butler county's part of the Sixty Million Dollar bond issue is going into the eighteen foot concrete pavement (which extends east to Fisk).

Reuben Becker and family who have been residents of Siketon for the past several years, will leave for Chicago in a short time to make their home. Both Mr. and Mrs. Becker have been employed at the Farmers Supply Dry Goods and Clothing Co. store and by their quiet and accommodating manner have made many friends in Siketon and vicinity who will regret to see them go. Chicago was the former home of the Becker's, where they have family ties that are taking them home.

Houses To Be Sold At Cost

Mexico, Mo., March 16.—The campaign to raise \$15,000 to insure the building of 60 homes in Mexico within the next year under the contract between Mayor J. W. Gallaher and the Mexico Chamber of Commerce, closed yesterday with the entire amount subscribed.

To meet the needs for more houses here the Chamber of Commerce and the Mayor recently entered into an agreement whereby the Mayor will build 60 homes, to cost \$150,000 within the next 12 months. For this the Mayor will receive \$15,000 which he will consider as his profit on the undertaking, the houses to be sold at cost. Work will be begun within the next few weeks.

J. N. Sheppard went to Cairo Sunday to meet Little Miss Lavinnia Moll, of Grand Chain, Ill., who will visit her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Sheppard.

Some whales travel twice a year more than a quarter of the circumference of the globe, being in the Arctic in summer and on the other side of the equator in the winter. is an excess of 25,000,000 women.

In a recent bulletin of the State Agricultural College the fact is mentioned that New Madrid county is the banner corn producing county of Southeast Missouri with 124,300 bushels. The nearest to this figure was that of Mississippi county with 70,440 bushels.—Lilbourn Herald.

The Standard was misinformed as to the W. P. Lindley's moving to California. It is true that they have sold their residence to E. J. Keith and it is probable that Mrs. Lindley and Clara will go on a visit to California when the school term closes, but Mr. Lindley says he has too many interests in Southeast Missouri to move to any other section of the United States. He owns some of the best farm lands to be found in this section.

ONE GOOD THING LEADS TO ANOTHER

With all lots for the shoe factory sold and the assurance that the International Shoe Co. will erect at the earliest possible moment, a building sufficient to employ 800 men and women, it now behooves the Chamber of Commerce to back a move for more homes for Siketon. When we say homes we mean homes, not cheap box houses.

Within a year the city will jump in population from one thousand to two thousand, and as it is, Siketon has no spare houses and no place for the increased population. Just the minute title to the lots in the Matthews Addition is vested in the owners houses should be built for factory workers. Houses of 4 to 5 rooms with bath and toilet would find ready renters or ready sale to employees of the factory who could take them through the Building and Loan Association. It is the home owner that The Standard believes in encouraging, for the man who owns a home always makes a good citizen.

The owners of vacant lots in other sections of Siketon should improve them with a comfortable cottage of some sort as the need of more housing will be felt at once. With the building of the shoe factory, the creamery and ice cream factory, and the cotton gins, Siketon will be over-run with workmen who will seek employment on them and it is going to be a difficult matter to house the extra influx.

The Standard feels certain that the Chamber of Commerce will get in touch with some financial institution who will furnish the money to build all needed homes on the Building and Loan plan.

SIKESTON OFFICERS ARREST BURGLARS

The store of W. J. Melton at Aniston in Mississippi County was burglarized the latter part of the week and a shot gun, auto tires, and numerous other articles stolen. Officers in every direction were notified to be on the look-out for Carl Pool and two Killian Bros. It happened that Officer Burks learned that two men answering the description of the men wanted had arrived in Siketon and were stopping at the rooming house of Mrs. Ashley, over Keady's drug store. At 6:00 Sunday morning one of the Killian boys and Carl Pool were found in one of the rooms, arrested and taken to the city jail. The other Killian boy was arrested in Stoddard County and was brought to Siketon Sunday forenoon where Mississippi County officers were waiting to take the trio back to the Charleston jail. The father of Carl Pool lives in a house owned by Geo. Dye on South Kingshighway in Siketon.

M. G. Gresham of Siketon and M. E. Montgomery of Benton have formed a partnership for the practice of law and will have their offices in the Siketon Trust Co. Building. Mr. Gresham has been practicing his profession in this city for a number of years while Mr. Montgomery, the present Superintendent of Schools of Scott County, was admitted to the bar the past year. The Standard commends the new firm to the public.

NO DANGEROUS GERMS IN SIKESTON WATER

In a recent issue of The Standard was a statement printed that would lead one to believe the drinking water of Siketon was polluted and unfit to drink. The statement as printed was in substance information gathered by statements made to the City Council and was made on a report of an amateur chemist of Columbia. The City Council gave Dr. P. M. Malcolm, city health officer, authority to take steps to protect the health of the city by such measures as he thought proper.

In order to know just what was wrong with the water, before making any further move, Dr. Malcolm sent three samples to the Gradow Laboratories, St. Louis, for analysis. The following letter from Dr. Gradow in person speaks for itself:

"In explanation of our technical reports on examination of water samples submitted by you I beg to state the bacterial contents of these samples was of a non-pathogenic or non-disease variety. We did not find any coli or typhoid bacilli present and feel that the samples are safe for drinking purposes from a bacteriological standpoint. There may be some suspended matter present of a chemical nature, which may be removed by filtration or coagulation". The three samples of water, one from the tank, one from the water main and one direct from the well, were tested with the following official tests:

"No. 1—Found: Bacterial Count, 1 per cc. Fermentation tubes, no gas. Endos Media, negative. Eosin Methylene, negative.

"No. 2—Found: Bacterial Count, 32 per cc. Fermentation tubes, no gas. Endos Media, negative. Eosin Methylene, negative.

"No. 3—Found: Bacterial Count, 1408 per 1 cc. Fermentation tubes, no gas. Endos Media, organisms found were water bacteria, Hay Bacilli. No. B. Coli".

The bacteria found is found in all water and is not dangerous to health. The disagreeable odor found at times comes from the mud that is sucked from the bottom of the well and while not pleasant is not harmful. By the use of filters all mud sediment can be taken from the water.

M'CUTCHEEN CONTRACTS FOR 80 BIG SPECIALS

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. McCutchen arrived home Monday morning, via Cairo, from St. Louis, where they had been several days closing up contracts for 39 Paramount super productions and 28 Metro super productions.

On April 2, he will present "When Knighthood Was in Flower" at the American, which will be the first of the big, late, super features made this year. Marion Davis, who is said to be the prettiest woman on the screen, is featured in this production and is supported by a notable cast. There are more than 3000 actors in this production. All productions will be shown here at the American and at the Malone in Siketon.—Charleston Times.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Johnson spent Sunday in Cairo. Mrs. Johnson had some dental work done.

Rev. J. J. Brinberry, pastor of the Christian Church at Brookport, Ill., was in Siketon Friday afternoon on his way from Osceola, Ark., to his home. While in Siketon he paid The Standard a pleasant social visit.

Mrs. A. G. Clodfelter of Essex, died at St. Lukes Hospital in St. Louis Tuesday of last week following an operation for stomach trouble. She was the mother of Roy Clodfelter formerly of Siketon. The Standard extends sympathy to the family.

It will be sad news to the Siketon friends of Rev. J. B. Lockhart, former pastor of the Christian Church in Siketon, to hear of his death that occurred at Barnes Hospital in St. Louis last week. He was a kindly man and Christian gentleman. Peace to his ashes.

J. Kelly Wright, of Christian College, Columbia, Mo., was in Siketon Saturday, in the interest of that College. Parents seeking higher education and good surroundings for their girls can find no better than Christian College. Prof. E. D. Lee, former superintendent of Siketon Schools, is president of Christian College.

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Sikeston's Achievement

Sikeston did the greatest week's work in its history when it put over the drive for an International Shoe factory. Cape Girardeau's experience in this respect indicates what is in store for Sikeston.

Fifteen years ago Sikeston was the fastest-growing town in Southeast Missouri because it happened that agriculture was having its harvest at that time. Sikeston boasted being the center of the Sikeston district, the greatest agricultural district in the Mississippi Valley, and as long as corn and wheat were in the ascendancy, that town boomed. But when wheat and corn sold at bottom prices Sikeston suffered. One year conditions were favorable and the next year they were not, due to the market conditions. All of Sikeston's eggs were in one basket.

With the entry of the shoe factory, which is to employ several hundred people, Sikeston will find that corn and wheat will no longer reign supreme. Shoes are needed, no matter what the price of agricultural products is, and it happens that International shoes are always in great demand.

A man is said to have remarked to a Sikeston merchant not long ago something like this: "How are things these days?" The merchant is said to have replied: "Well, sir, this town is just 15 miles from prosperity". Meaning that cotton was making the country a few miles to the south rich while the Sikeston district had held to corn and wheat.

Sikeston is now set for another period of development and progress. The shoe factory will give employment at good wages to many people and cotton is destined to make the surrounding country more prosperous than it has ever been. Then, when cotton goes the route it has gone before, the shoe factory will be in Sikeston to keep conditions normal.

Scott county will have many hundreds of acres of cotton this year. Cotton prices have now reached the highest point known and the demand is strong. That the 1923 cotton crop will bring a big price is generally conceded and that Scott county can raise cotton in abundance is not questioned, but this condition may last only a few years, and if so, there will be the big shoe factory to rely upon.

Cape Girardeau is pleased to see another International shoe factory down here. Such industries help stabilize the entire district. The factory at Jackson is already showing its worth and in the next few years we hope to see other International factories in Charleston, Kennett, New Madrid, Caruthersville and other towns that can provide the labor. We should endeavor to mix the International industries with our wonderful resources and then there will be little danger of having adverse commercial conditions affect us seriously.

The greatest gain Sikeston will achieve through the securing of a shoe factory will be good citizenship. A shoe factory operated on the basis of the Cape Girardeau plant is more than a mere factory. It establishes a substantial community within itself. Employees of the shoe factory are home builders and owners. They are progressive people, well-paid and forward-looking. They are the kind

of citizens necessary to make a growing community and Sikeston will soon discover this.

Sikeston must now build more houses, must provide more municipal and social facilities, must spread out commercially and must demonstrate that she is a growing, bustling city and not merely an agricultural community. The spirit shown in putting through the shoe factory proposition indicates what may be expected in the future.

It is always interesting to note the progress of the Cape Girardeau shoe factory. It is now employing approximately 1200 men and women at a weekly wage of \$25,000, and has the distinction of making more well shoes for men than any other factory in the United States.

In 1907, when Cape Girardeau was a town of about 6000 people, a contract was made with Roberts, Johnson and Rand Shoe Company for the establishment of a factory here. The town agreed to furnish the land and a building, the total cost of which was \$70,000. A dollar in those days was equal to two dollars today and although a sale of lots at \$300 each was supposed to cover the amount needed, the final showdown necessitated the payment of from six to eight thousand dollars each by several loyal citizens. The shoe company agreed to pay out for wages not less than \$1,714,000 in 12 years.

The records show that in seven years, seven months and seven days the amount had been paid and the contract complied with.

In the 15 years the shoe factory has been in operation, it has been increased in size twice and has paid in wages alone more than eight million dollars.

There has never been a time when the International Company, which succeeded the Roberts, Johnson and Rand Company, has been called upon to keep a pledge or do something that had been overlooked. It has been a part of the community, sharing in its upbuilding and prosperity. —Cape Missourian.

One of the great acts passed by this session of the Missouri Legislature was that designating the red haw as the official State flower. It has taken much time and deep study to put this important measure thru and The Standard trusts all law abiding citizens will duly appreciate same.

The Standard is of the opinion that with the coming of the factories, the mills and other industries, the merchants of Sikeston can and will go on a cash basis. All these enterprises pay every week and there will be no reason for a single employee to ask for credit. If the farmer does not produce enough milk and poultry products to furnish his own table he should borrow from the banks enough money for his household at the same time he borrows to carry on his farming operations. The merchant can sell on a closer margin and the cash customer will buy less.

The plan to build a number of houses to accommodate a supposed house shortage is all very well in its way, but little will come of it. If these cities are anxious to do something that will be really popular, they will start a plan to get every family an automobile or two. People do not live in houses any more, but in autos. There would be forty applicants for an auto where there would be one to buy a home. Such a scheme would beat the house-building plan ten to one. If people were as anxious to have a home as they are to have an auto, houses would be going up on every street in every city. —Moberly Democrat.

Mr. Mondell, whose constituents have happily demoted him from the responsible post of Republican leader in the lower house of Congress and let him down by grace of party concern for its lame ducks into a nice place with the War Finance Corporation, thinks Congress has been badgered by active minorities until it has no courage left. We have known this for a long time, but it is rather interesting to hear one of Mr. Mondell's intimacies with legislation assert that the practice of expressing one opinion in the cloakrooms and another upon the floor is as bad as it is. That is the way the country went dry. There is only one remedy for it—the single term. When we get down to that we can have a courageous Congress fit to jerk a bull off the bridge—a veritable hell-roarer for what it thinks on its own hook. As it is now the fear of failure to be re-elected renders the Congressman defenseless. The voice of Wayne Wheeler saying "Booh" from the gallery, which ought to be to him no more than the comedy of a paid lobbyist trying to justify his pay check, becomes as the very voice of God.—Clark McAdams.

Next Presidential Campaign

It is a safe prediction that, if the Republican party, in full control of the national Government, can make no more impressive record during the next 20 months than it has made during the past 24, its leaders will have a deal of explaining to do when the electorate calls for an accounting in 1924. This does not mean, of course, that a Democratic triumph is already in sight. Far from it, despite the obtrusive optimism that exists in the ranks of the Democracy today. The Democratic party presents for the moment the outward semblance of harmony; but this is only because the party, as such, has had no occasion during the past two years to pronounce itself on any great issue of public policy. Put it to the test tomorrow, and what would be its attitude on America's participation in Europe's affairs? Would it be any nearer unity than it was in 1920? It is easy enough to say that Mr. Harding is not leading the Republicans along the forward path; but who is leading the Democrats in any direction? Nor is it to be forgotten that on one question of internal policy, which is steadily looming larger, namely, the relaxing of the Volstead Law, it will be more difficult to prevent defections from the Democratic than from the Republican ranks when the showdown comes.—Atlantic Monthly.

Forty-two States so far have accepted the terms of the Maternity and Infant Hygiene act.

Give the cows and hens a chance, Fellow Farmer. They will do for you what you expect of Congress and the legislature, which is to make dollars grow where dimes otherwise would be hard to find.

It is an ill wind that blows nobody good. The gale that blew Sunday night brought a liberal layer of high priced soil and evenly spread it over Sikeston both inside and outside houses. Some people do not seem to appreciate a gift of \$300 an acre soil.

With the prospect of rejuvenating business in Sikeston with the coming of the new enterprises The Standard wishes to announce that it is ready to resume the publication of the Twice-a-Week Sikeston Standard just as soon as the merchants require its services. The Standard proposes to keep abreast of the times and will not permit Sikeston to get ahead of the paper. With the increased population the call for increased service will be made and The Standard will be on the job without an increase in subscription rates.

But—horrible thought—what if Missouri Republicans should invoke the referendum against laws passed by the present legislature, as the Democrats did against those passed by the last legislature? It would mean repudiation at the polls for the entire lot. Even Monroe county where economy sentiment is especially strong, gave an overwhelming majority against a consolidation bill that would have abolished a multitude of jobs and saved a quarter of a million dollars every year. You can kill anything in Missouri that old-reliable side partner of peanut politics.—Paris Appeal.

France and "Uncle Sam"

Our uncle in America has been dining into our ears for a year or two that Germany is so crushed by her reparations debts that she can never pay them in full, and that they must be reduced at all costs to a reasonable figure. We answer frankly to this: "It is possible that Germany's burdens are too heavy for her shoulders. But we are not rich enough to make her a present—we with our 1,500,000 dead and our 10 devastated departments to rebuild, we who were in the war from the first day of August, 1914. We can arrange these things, however. Your territory has not been invaded, you have not lost 1,500,000 of your sons in the war, you were not fighting with all your strength except for a year or in fact a few months just before the end of hostilities. During the first two years of the war you made large profits from furnishing supplies to the allies. Now let us suggest to you that we, the Europeans allies, pay you with German obligations what you have loaned our Governments for war purposes. Then if you wish to reduce the German debt, you can simply burn these obligations, whereupon the financial distress of the world will be relieved at once, to the great benefit of commerce and industry and agriculture in general, and of your own commerce and industry and agriculture in particular". But Uncle Sam refuses to make this sacrifice, and see we have occupied the Ruhr in order to get our pay from Germany; whereupon our uncle in America becomes angry with us, and withdraws his forces from the Rhine. Here in France—we may say everywhere in Europe—no one can understand such conduct.—Gustave Herve in La Victoire (Paris).

Some of our people should go a little slow on talk of black listing those who didn't buy a lot or assist in putting over the shoe factory. Those who could and wouldn't help are the ones to shame, but for goodness sakes go slow on us small fellows who were just as willing as could be, but didn't have the cash. Ordinarily the small business interests do more than their share in public spirit moves and they should not be humiliated by talk calculated to hurt them in the future.

Every owner of a lot in the Factory Addition should make plans to improve same with a house. Money can be secured through the Building and Loan Association and the rent will pay the bill in the course of time. Four and five-room houses with bath should be built and every one of them would be promptly rented or sold to factory employees on terms which they could meet. It will be but a short distance to the ditch where good sewerage connection could be made.

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Certified St. Charles White, \$2.50 per bushel
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Theodore Hopper, Sikeston, Missouri

FOR SALE

Having rented most of my ground for cotton, I have for sale quite a number of extra tools, all in good condition, that I will sell at private treaty, among which are:

Busy Bee cultivators, breaking plows, discs, tractors tractor plows, wheat drills, alfalfa seeder, several tons of June clover hay, cow peas, clover seed, soy beans, one good 6-foot McCormick binder, one good wheat separator, two double row stalk cutters, hay rakes.

HOMER DECKER

The astounding story of a love that fought the elements and carved the destinies of three noble souls.—Malone Theatre, Monday and Tuesday.

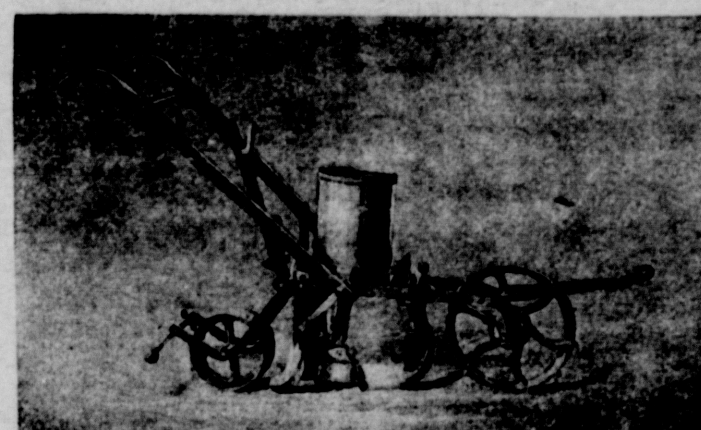
About the time when William the Conqueror invaded England the Seljuks invaded Asia Minor and conquered the Greeks. Since that time the Greeks of Asia Minor have paid taxes and tribute to the Turks. A part of the ancient payment, and the part that the Greek's hated the most was the "tribute children", whom the Turks drafted and trained to form the famous janizaries. In spite of oppression, the Greeks have maintained their national unity, their language and their civilization, and in the coast cities and towns the population is still more Greek than Turkish.

The story of a noble sacrifice which boomeranged in a tragic manner, bringing disaster so near that it changed the lives of three persons.—Malone Theatre, Monday and Tuesday.

There is one lesson; yea, there are two, our farmer friends must learn before they can hope to make a howling success of co-operative enterprises. One is that efficient labor at a good price is more productive of profits than inefficient labor at a low price. The other is that interested parties must cultivate a disposition to co-operate and, when necessary, to good-naturedly compromise with associates who differ with them in opinion. Banks, wholesale firms, factories and other institutions do not run smoothly because their

directors agree on everything but because the minority to a disagreement is willing to yield gracefully when necessary or because the majority is willing to make such concessions as the situation seems to warrant. Who ever heard of a bank, a factory or a wholesale house advertising for bids for official positions or soliciting applications from the general public for jobs that were to be filled? Their policy is to seek out men whose integrity, experience and qualifications are beyond question, then to pay such a salary as will inspire the employee to do his level best. The same policy, we feel sure, would be a better one for farmers to follow in their co-operative enterprises than the one so many of them pursue.—Paris Appeal.

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11:00—Morning worship. Singing led by the choir. Sermon from the text: "The Gates of Hades Shall Not Prevail Against It".

6:30—The B. Y. P. U. meets for Bible Study and Social Worship.

7:30—Evening Worship. Song services by choir and congregation. Sermon by the pastor.

REV. S. P. BRITE, Pastor.

Methodist Church

Sunday School—9:30.

Preaching 10:45—Subject: "The Choice of the Cross".

Junior League—2:00.

Intermediate and Senior Leagues—6:30.

Preaching 7:30—Subject: "Walk as Children of Light".

You are cordially invited to worship with us. Special music.

Pastor preaches every night next week beginning at 7:30.

THOS. B. MATHE, Pastor.

All of the swift fury of the elemental passions embodied in a drama, powerful, thrilling, intense.—Malone Theatre, Monday and Tuesday.

The ladies of the Methodist Church will have their annual flower sale at Albritton's Green House on April 12, 13 and 14. Everyone needing flowers should remember these dates.

The Sikeston city council last week voted to refuse permit for picture shows on Sunday; perhaps proceeding upon the theory that the preacher should have at least a show on Sunday. With the joyriders autoing seven days in the week and the picture show in operation six nights out of the possible seven, the minister is now having the worry of his life to give the public "something better".—Poplar Bluff Republican.

THE PUREBRED SIRE INCREASES PRODUCT

John T. Stinson, Agricultural and Colonization Agent of the Missouri Pacific System, has prepared and sent out a chart showing the evolution of the cow. For instance President Bush, of the Missouri Pacific, has spent much thought and money in an endeavor to educate the farmer to the better sire proposition and gives as examples what the crossing of a pure bred bull on a scrub cow will do. The first cross of the Jersey bull on a scrub cow giving but 4,047 pounds of milk per year, brought a cow that produced 4,934 pounds of milk. The second cross of this mating to a pure bred bull produced a cow that gave 6,257 pounds of milk. This sort of an argument should be convincing.

The Holstein pure bred bull crossed with a scrub cow giving 3,688 pounds of milk gave a cow that produced 6,748 pounds of milk, and the second cross was a 10,326 pound milk cow.

The Guernsey pure bred bull crossed on a scrub cow giving 4,306 lbs. of milk gave a 4,731 first cross and the second cross was a cow that produced 7,271 pounds of milk.

Just at this time with the creamery and ice cream factory in sight and with a depot for purchasing butter fat our near-by farmers should follow the better sire breeding and get the most for their money.

The Missouri Pacific officials should be commended for their efforts to improve the condition along their lives.

Dr. T. C. McClure was called to Caruthersville and to Chaffee for consultation the past week.

Married at the residence of Frank Fetting on Sunday evening, March 18, Mr. Norval Gibson nad Miss Lena Hargrove, both of Sikeston, Rev. S. P. Brite officiating. Mr. Gibson is now having the worry of his life to give the public "something better".—Poplar Bluff Republican.

1922 FLAPPER DE LUXE STAR OF NEW PHOTOPLAY

A flapper extraordinary is the heroine of "Her Night of Nights", the Universal comedy drama starring Marie Prevost at the Malone Theatre on Wednesday. She is a product of the city and her social activities have an alarming tempo, but she is still human enough to fall in love with a "country fellow" who isn't at all her type.

Hobart Henley directed the filming of the picture from a story by C. S. Montanye which appeared in a popular magazine. Doris Schroeder, adapter of practically all the Prevost vehicles for Universal, prepared the scenario.

Edward Hearn has the leading opposite Miss Prevost. Hallam Cooley, popular juvenile man, plays the second masculine lead, while Betty Francisco, Richard Daniels, William Jane Starr, Charles Arling and others enact principal roles.

The story is centered around New York City, its cafes and notorious night life, its exclusive fashion shops along Fifth Avenue, its more or less unregalated clubs and its quiet suburban atmosphere miles out, where one may buy a "bit of a house" for four or five hundred down and four our five years to pay.

It is said that "Her Night of Nights" offers Marie Prevost the exact sort of a role in which she appears at best advantage. It also offers an opportunity for a momentary display of the figure which made her the queen of bathing girl comedies two or three years ago.

The Chamber of Commerce invites the hearty co-operation of every progressive citizens of Sikeston and vicinity. Attend the meeting Monday evening and help finish up the work already started.

Mrs. C. E. Felker is at the St. Mary's Infirmary, Cairo, for medical attention. Her friends will be glad to know that she will not have to undergo an operation and will probably return to her home early next week.

THE SHOE FACTORY CONTRACT RECEIVED

W. H. Sikes, of the Chamber of Commerce, spent considerable time in St. Louis, Wednesday, with Mr. Watkins, vice-president of the International Shoe Co. and went over the entire situation of the factory with him.

The Shoe Company were well pleased with the short space of time it took to raise the money, and in consideration of the interest taken by all the citizens of Sikeston, they will give us a larger building than at first intended. The dimensions of the building as now proposed will be 250x50 feet with basement and 4 stories and a wing 40x50 feet 4 stories. The ground is to be 300x600 feet.

A phone message from D. B. Smith, manager of the Cape Branch, said he would be here Monday with engineers to stake off their ground and that bids for the erection of the building would be asked for at once. The question of housing the increased population was brought up by the factory people, so this subject will be up for discussion Monday evening.

The contract between the International Shoe Co. and L. M. Stalleup, A. C. Sikes and Jos. L. Matthews for the Chamber of Commerce and citizens of Sikeston, is a very simple one without an objectionable feature and no technicalities. It calls for a payment of \$10,000 as soon as the contract is signed; \$15,000 when basement is completed; \$15,000 thirty days after completion of basement; \$15,000 sixty days after completion of basement and \$15,000 when building is completed and ready for installation of machinery.

Mr. Fahrenkopf, who has the plot of land rented, is willing to turn the land over at once if the Chamber of Commerce will pay a reasonable price for the wheat crop planted thereon. It is hoped this can be accomplished, then the lots can be drawn for, titles made to same, and building of houses started immediately. It is going to be necessary for every lot owner who can possibly do so, build a house for the accommodation of new comers and workers in the factory. John Craig, in behalf of the Ilmo Building and Loan Association, was in Sikeston Wednesday and stated that their Association could advance \$15,000 per month to build homes in Sikeston. With the assur-

ance of money for building, no vacant lot should be found in the city in another twelve months.

Open Meeting of Woman's Club

On Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. C. Sikes, the Woman's Club held a meeting complimentary to Mrs. Harvey, of Kirksville.

An invitation was extended to other Clubs in this district to come to this meeting and several accepted, and after hearing Mrs. Harvey's informal talk on Applied Education, they felt repaid for their trip to Sikeston.

Mrs. arvey's talk was full of interest and she gave a great deal of her time to the rural school problems and how to solve them, and while a goodly number of teachers were present, it is to be regretted that our rural school teachers did not hear her, for if they had, they would have been inspired to do more efficient work.

Mrs. Green Lescher very delightfully sang two vocal solos with Mrs. H. J. Welsh at the piano.

A light lunch of chicken salad sandwiches, olives, pickles, candy and coffee were served to the sixty or more guests. The out-of-town guests were: Mrs. Charles Stubbs, Mrs. I. Marshall and Mrs. Goode, of the Woman's Club of Blodgett, Mrs. Luta Leslie, Mrs. Robert Leslie, Mrs. H. P. Emerson and Mrs. Earles of the Saturday Evening Reading Club of Morley and Mrs. Byron Guthrie of Charleston.

Mrs. Lyles of Dexter was the guest of Mrs. John E. Marshall Thursday of last week.

J. W. Loeffler, a lad from Dexter, Mo., is adding much to the orchestra at Malone Theatre with his xylophone. He is quite an artist.

The Chamber of Commerce hope to reserve a sufficient number of lots in the Factory Addition to put into a park. This will be up for discussion at the regular meeting Monday evening.

The Woman's Club held a Bridge party at the home of Miss Burnice Tanner last Friday afternoon and about \$16 was realized. Another party was held at Mrs. W. H. Tanner's Wednesday night and a considerable sum was donated. Soon after Easter Mrs. John Fisher will have the Bridge party followed by Mrs. B. F. Blanton. These ladies are to raise \$100 to finish paying for their second lot and have taken this means to raise it.

Malone Theatre

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We are authorized to announce Ralph McCullough of Morley for Superintendent of Schools of Scott County, subject to the will of the voters at the April, 1923, election.

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More School Room Needed

Now that the factory is assured, or even if it were not, it is high time that we were providing as well for our citizens under 16 to study, to play and to grow, as for those over 16 to work.

No institution is quite so near the heart of all the people as the school in which the average child is taught and yet Skeston has no place in any of her buildings where all the pupils of that building can be assembled, much less a place where the parents may come to be entertained.

With the coming of the factory, more rooms will be needed to take care of the influx of children accompanying workers. The grade school is full, the late crowded condition having been relieved by the parochial school. The high school is crowded, about one-third more than two years ago. About the only criticism we have heard on the school this year is a result of the crowded situation there. Yet better work is being done than last year, which was a decided improvement on the year before. In fact, we think we have as is being attempted. But it is time to the long run to include an auditor-broaden out a bit.

Our School Board should not wait for next winter to catch them with inadequate housing facilities. Now is the time to begin to plan to have more house finished by fall. And while building it will be cheaper in people will urge the Board to follow gymnasium where the pupils, and patrons as well, can hear good programs free of rent, present good programs, and exercise and play to the good of their physical development.

To a man wanting to put his boy in school, what have we to offer more than the small towns nearby? Nothing. Not as much as some.

This is the logical assembling place for almost four counties, the cross-roads of two great highways. The editor of The Standard hopes the people will urge the Board to follow the recommendation of Supt. Ellise, and that our children be provided for at once.

About 86 per cent of the lumber used in Alaska is cut from the national forests, according to the Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture.

Manuel Lee Silva, of New York City, aged 110 years, when asked what he attributed as the cause for his longevity, replied that he didn't know, that he quit smoking when he was 75 years old and hadn't been drunk since he was 85! This is a question for discussion by the W. C. T. U.

Just a word of warning to the owners of tenant houses in Skeston. It is being noised about that landlords are seeking to boost the rent on their houses because they think they can get away with it. Rent on dwellings and rooms in Skeston has been too high for a long time when one considers that many of the houses are practically unfit to live in and have no conveniences whatever. If you hear of such a move and know it to be a fact, report same to the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. Hold-ups should not be tolerated.

Government By Intimidation

Upon what is the strength of such irresponsible organizations as the Anti-Saloon League founded? No one, except their salaried and interested defenders, pretends that they represent more than a fraction of American public opinion. They are based solely and squarely, for all practical and strategic purposes, upon the cowardice of the politician. It is a question whether Anderson and the society he represents, or the women in the passage of the suffrage amendment, were first in the field with a system which amounts to organized intimidation—influence over the politician by personal pressure. Intimidation need not be exercised to extort money. It can be, and has been many times, used to influence votes, where those votes will have the most effect, as, for instance, in Congress and in the State legislatures. These voluntary organizations maintaining expensive lobbies in Washington, apart from effrontery and assurance—developing into bluff where necessary—have a tangible asset in a system of card indexes. They do not deal in generalities. So long as the politician votes dry his relations with his private bootlegger are not molested, although they are recorded, where possible, as a club to hold over him.—Wall Street Journal.

Chinch Bug's Life History

Everyone knows the chinch bug with its characteristic buggy odor; and every farmer who wages war on this pest can profit by a knowledge of the bug's life history.

At this season it is safely hidden away deep down in the dry crowns of clump grasses and in other dry shelters. As many as 20,000 adult bugs have been found in one large grass clump, says the entomologists at the Missouri College of Agriculture. In Missouri during April these overwintering adult bugs leave their winter shelter and fly to fields of wheat or similar grain crops. Here a little later eggs for the spring brood of bugs are laid.

By the first of July or at wheat harvest this brood of young bugs is about mature, and since the supply of sap in the wheat field is gone they crawl to other green crops which means usually adjoining corn fields. Here they feed until they mature and get wings and then rise and fly all over the infested and adjoining corn fields.

Later these adults lay eggs for the summer and fall brood which does such serious damage to corn. This brood of bugs is usually mature before the first killing frosts and they usually fly in search of favorable winter harbors during October. Here they again safely pass the winter to start making trouble again the following spring.

The adult chinch bug hibernates during the winter. It requires dry, warm shelter for safe hibernation. Where wild bunch or clump grasses abound these are the bugs' most favorite winter hiding place. A grassy roadside ravine, briar patch, fence row, roadside or rocky slope are next to ideal from the bugs' point of view, giving a really severe winter such favorable harbors are really essential for safe wintering. Bugs do hibernate in other places, however, especially in mild dry winters.

Corn shocks, straw and hay stacks, dry leaf beds along fences, hedges and woodland borders and the boots of standing corn may give shelter to some bugs. Some may even collect under dry bark on stumps or logs or in piles of brush or wood or lumber. These shelters are not the pests' choice harbors and few safely winter in such places under normal conditions.

The bugs that cause the real epidemic the following year will be found harboring largely in the most favorable shelters and not in these last named "make-shift" harbors. Plan the winter and early spring clean-up campaign therefore so as to thoroughly destroy the choice harbor first and expose or destroy as many bugs as possible in fodder and such shelters. One choice ravine or grassy spot may harbor millions of bugs which in April fly to adjoining farms.

Most big undertakings like putting over the shoe factory drive necessitates the expenditure of large sums of money and much time in preliminary work. The Skeston drive was put over in less than one week and at a cost not to exceed \$50. There was a reason. Level-headed, every-day business men were on the committees.

Send your Easter cleaning and pressing to Pitman's Tailor Shop and get a ticket on the \$50 suit to be given away. Phone 127.

For hundreds of years the Nile floods have not varied 10 days in their arrival.

The Missouri Press Association

Kansas City, Mo., March 22.—For a greater Missouri!

With this slogan as a goal for its activities, the organization meeting of the Missouri Association will open at Jefferson City April 6. J. F. Hull, chairman of the Missouri Press Association "Committee of Sixteen", announced today, following a meeting with John M. Guild, General Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Kansas City and chairman of a committee that has had for its purpose the organization of a state chamber of commerce.

The sessions of the meeting will last for two days, closing Saturday night, April 7. There will be representatives from all over the state, including delegates appointed by chambers of commerce and all business bodies. There will be a strong representation of newspaper men, one from every county.

The joint call for this meeting is the result of a meeting held in Jefferson City at which the plans of the two movements—the one to advertise that state by the editors, and the one to tie together its business organizations, were welded together, so that instead of two new organizations for somewhat similar purposes, there will be one united and stronger body with the newspaper men behind it.

The purpose of the April meeting, as explained by Mr. Guild today, is to hear a report of his committee, which has for some time been analyzing the structure and work of state organizations, and if acceptable, adopt the form of organization that this committee will recommend. The proposed constitution and by-laws was reviewed by the "Committee of Sixteen" on February 24 and a sub-committee of the Press Association, consisting of Fred W. Mitchell, of Excelsior Spring, M. L. Francis of Slater and J. H. Miller, of Lee's Summit, was named to go over the proposed organization machinery with Mr. Guild and come to an agreement on any changes that might be desired by the Missouri Press Association. The report the committee will make embodies the best features of every state chamber of commerce that exists or has existed in this country.

"The Missouri Association is the response to a feeling long existing in this state that Missouri has been overlooked very largely by those seeking new homes", Mr. Hull stated, in outlining the importance of the meeting and its purposes. "The reason is due to the larger portion of what little exploitation there has been tending to repel rather than attract. The exploits of the James gang of nearly a half century ago still hold a permanent place in the minds of many people, while these same people know very little of the wonderful diversity of resources, the romantic state history, the scenic beauty, and the unexampled opportunities the state affords those who come here to invest their capital. They look on the James gang as a type of Missouri's citizenship while we who live here know nothing could be further from the truth.

"One of the first steps in the organization's work will be to acquaint the people of north Missouri with the beauty of the Ozarks, with the wonderfully rich mineral deposits of that region, and other factors in other sections, and we want the people of that region to become acquainted with the great body of rich agricultural land in northern Missouri, and with other developments in those districts."

"According to Mr. Guild, the success of the movement depends on the commercial bodies that have been invited to send delegates, giving this matter prompt attention so that the April 6-7 meeting at Jefferson City will be actually representative of the resources, possibilities and ambitions of the state.

Some years ago the museums of Konigsberg and Berlin sent Prof. Wheeler an extraordinary collection of ants in lumps of Baltic amber. There were 9560 specimens, representing 92 species and 43 genera. Baltic amber is merely the fossil resin of pines which flourished during Lower Oligocene Tertiary times in the region which is now Sweden. The liquid resin exuded from the tree trunks precisely as it does today, and great numbers of small insects, especially ants, were trapped in the transparent, viscid masses which hardened, fell from the trees or remained after the rotting of the wood and were carried down by the streams and imbedded in what is today the floor of the Baltic sea and the soil of Eastern Prussia. The lumps are now brought to the surface either by mining or by the action of the waves, which cast them up on the beaches. So beautiful and lifelike are the insects preserved in the amber that by comparison all other fossils have a singularly dull and inert appearance.

Am I My Brother's Keeper?

The party who has never fought the devil in the battle for supremacy over alcohol cannot sympathize with the who falls in the struggle. Since the editor has been a citizen of Skeston he has seen strong men, personal and intimate friends, fight the battle. Some have lost and are sleeping under the sod. Others are yet in the struggle and with the help of God and encouragement of real friends, may win out. To counsel, to advise, to abuse, a man who is under the influence of liquor, is but the loss of time and effort for he is not clear-headed enough to listen with reason. To visit with him "the day after", is to see a great body passing through the tortures of hell, to see a mature man shed tears of bitter humiliation and shame, and pray God to give him strength to yet conquer—this, too, is no time to scold, advise, nor threaten. It is the time to give him a real grasp of a hand, to put your arm over his shoulder and shed real tears of sympathy and offer moral encouragement and tell him how grieved you are at his actions and how it hurts a real friend. The body of the man is built of nerves, some can control and some cannot. When the devil gets possession of the nervous system and the man is unable to control them, it is the time that he turns to alcohol or narcotics for relief, or something to paralyze his nerves. Pity the man or woman who is weak enough to give way to his passion and abuse the one who peddles the alcohol and dope.

Three hundred thousand prisoners of war and other prisoners labor 4 fifteen years to build the great Cinese wall. It is 2,000 miles long and was built to keep back the Tartar, which for 2,000 years devastated Asia and even Europe from time to time.

ORAN TO VOTE ON BONDS FOR WATER AND LIGHTS

At the annual election in Oran April 3rd, the citizens of that progressive town will have a chance to vote for a bond issue of \$45,000 for a municipal water and light plant.

The fire in November showed the people there that they could not afford to longer be without city water and fire protection. It is the intention to put up a city light plant at the same time with a portion of the issue, altho Oran now has service from the Missouri Public Utilities Company.

Water for fire fighting purposes is something that every town needs, and Oran should have this protection, which means so much in the saving of property.—Benton Democrat.

In Turkey, Syria and Armenia the women wear garments of celestial blue as an emblem of mourning.

"Keeping books" on the farm work, or farm accounting, is now taught in the eighth grade of public schools in 21 Ohio counties, according to reports to the United States Department of Agriculture, as a result of agricultural extension work in farm management in these counties.

Fire control on national forests becomes every year more effective through various forms of co-operation, says the Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture. Man-caused fires are still the great hazard and the great problem. The only way, he says, to reduce these fires is to impress the habit of care with fire on the minds of users and visitors on national forests. In 1921 the total number of man-caused fires was 4,400; yet there is no more reason for the usual man-caused fire on the national forests than there is for the usual grade-crossing accident.

If we will rightly estimate what we call good and evil, we shall find it lies much in comparison.

The will of Charles Dickens contained the following clause: "I conjure my friends on no account to make me the subject of any monumental, memorial or testimonial whatsoever. I rest my claims to the remembrance of my country upon my published works, and to the remembrance of my friends upon their experience of me in addition thereto."

Two cities which in the middle ages and before were seaports for the Vikings have been discovered on the coast of Sweden. The names of the lost towns were Gamla Ladosa and Nya Loroese. There the seafaring Norsemen came for bargains and battle, and mention of "houses of music" indicate that they were popular ports for the sailors. The discoveries are expected to throw much light on early Scandinavian civilization.

Nothing that is not a real crime makes a man appear so little in the eyes of the world as inconstancy.

The National Association of Master Pie Bakers says Chicago is the greatest pie-eating city in the United States. Residents of the Windy City daily consume an average of 75,000 pies. According to the same authority, New York stands second. About 60,000 pies are consumed there daily. Philadelphia comes third with 50,000. Fourth place goes to Los Angeles, where 40,000 are consumed daily. Boston is a close rival.

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ALMA RUBENS in

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NEWS and COMEDY

Adm. 10c and 30c

WEDNESDAY

MARIE PEVOST in

"Her Night of Nights"

C. S. Montayne's happy story of the beautiful little cloak model who renounced the gay life and found happiness in the most unexpected manner.

NEWS

Admission 10c and 20c

THURSDAY

DAVID POWELL in

"The Spanish Jade"

A Paramount Picture

A John S. Robertson Production

Would you like to come adventuring through the sun-drenched hills of Spain with a pair of Spanish lovers. See lovely Senoritas dancing the wild fandango; thrill as the daggers of hot-blooded rivals flash? Then don't miss this glowing, glorious romance, which Americans actually filmed in Spain. From the play by Louis Joseph Vance. Charles de Rochefort in the cast.

MOVIE CHATS

Admission 10c and 20c

FRIDAY

JACK HOLT in

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A Paramount Picture

Here's one you'll be proud you've been able to see. A great big Peter B. Kyne special. A real he-man story based on "The Parson of Panamint". This has been a great hit everywhere it has been shown. Sunshine Comedy

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Admission 10c and 30c

SATURDAY

DUSTIN FARNUM in

"The Yosemite Trail"

A story of the Golden West.

ROY STEWART in

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MATINEE—2:30

NIGHT—7:15

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS FROM MATTHEWS

Walter Moore of Canolou was in Matthews Friday, on business.

Henry Castner, cashier of the Canolou Bank, was in Matthews, Sunday.

John Sutor of Benton was in Matthews Monday and Tuesday on business.

Miss Flo King spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. King.

Mr. and Mrs. Latimer motored to Marston Sunday to visit friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Jones of Pharris Ridge were Matthews visitors Sunday.

Judge G. D. Steele returned Friday from Catron, where he has been several days on business.

G. F. Deane, Howard Steele, D. A. Chiles and Frank Sibley motored to New Madrid Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Deane and Mr. and Mrs. Loy Roberts motored to Cape Girardeau Friday on business.

Miss Ollie Clarke returned to her home in Skeston, Monday, after a few days visit with Miss Alma Woodruff.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Lurmit of New Madrid spent Sunday with Mrs. Lurmit's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Deane.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stewart and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sibley attended the show in Skeston Tuesday night.

Mrs. Presnell and daughter, Miss Vera Roberts, and Miss Verna Murphy of Canolou, were Matthews visitors Saturday.

Misses Flossie Reed, Aleta Hill, Vanita Hicks and Verna King were 12 o'clock dinner guests of Miss Irene Sutton, Sunday.

Mrs. Nannie Mainord returned Sunday from New Madrid, where she has been visiting with her son, O. K. Mainord and family.

Mrs. Martha Lurmit of Portageville was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Deane from Saturday, until Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCarthy and children and Misses Elereno Shelton and Dorris Gilmore of Skeston visited relatives in Matthews Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Weeks of Canolou and A. D. Baughn and daughter Barbara Lucille, of Dexter, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, Sunday.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Buckles died Monday, March 19th, and was buried Tuesday evening in the Matthews cemetery at 2:00 o'clock.

Mrs. J. R. King entertained the following guests Thursday evening, the occasion being Mr. King's birthday anniversary: Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz and children, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Story and children.

Mrs. Emma Andrews and daughters, Mrs. Ennen and Miss Beatrice and little grandson Bobby returned to Fredericktown Sunday after a week's visit with their daughter and sister, Mrs. W. O. Carroll.

Fred Meyer, of Cape Girardeau, passed through Matthews Thursday with his blood hounds en route to Noxall to try and track the party that had shot into some negro cabins on the Glenn Matthews farm.

Mrs. G. D. Steele and son, John Chaney, returned Friday from Coffeyville, Kansas, where they went to attend the funeral of Mrs. Steele's father, W. M. Moore. Mrs. Moore accompanied her home for a few weeks' visit.

Mrs. F. D. Baughn returned to her home in Cape Girardeau Wednesday, after a few days visit with her daughter, Mrs. John Smith. Mrs. Baughn's little granddaughter, Camille, accompanied her home for a few weeks' visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz had as their guests at a 6 o'clock dinner Saturday evening, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Carroll, Mrs. Emma Andrews and daughter, Miss Beatrice of Fredericktown and Mrs. Ennen and little son, Bobby, of California.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ratcliff entertained the following guests with a rook party Wednesday evening: Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Critchlow, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Deane, Mr. and Mrs. Loy Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Swartz, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Carroll, Mrs. Ennen of Calif., and Prof. Chas. Granger. Mrs. Albert Deane and Loy Roberts held the highest scores at the conclusion of the games. Mrs. Deane was awarded a powder puff and Mr. Roberts, a tie.

John McKean died Friday night about 10:30 at the home of his stepson, Thos. Mucky. Mr. McKean had been ill for some time. He was born in Ireland, June, 1840, age 83 years. He came to America when quite young. He leaves to mourn his death two step-sons, Thos. Mucky, of this place and John Mucky of New Mexico, one adopted daughter, Mrs. T. A. Cunningham of Skeston. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. S. P. Brite, pastor of the First Baptist Church, of Skeston. Interment took place in the Matthews cemetery Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock.

Connie Edgon and Walter Nix became involved in a quarrel here Friday night, while both were drunk on White Mule. Nix in an attempt to shoot Edgon, shot himself in the knee. The trouble being close to the home of G. F. Deane, Mr. Deane went out to try and stop the men, when Nix attempted to shoot Deane, but he seeing the attempt made, jerked the gun out of Nix's hand, striking him on the head. Marshal W. H. Deane arrested the men, but Nix

being hurt, Deane had his wounds dressed and removed to the home of his mother. Edgon was taken to the county jail by Sheriff Kerr, where he was bailed out by his brother-in-law, John Sonder. The preliminary was set for Wednesday, March 21st.

NEWS LETTER FROM CHAFFEE

J. D. Allison spent the week-end at home.

M. E. Gisi spent the week-end with his parents at Ste. Genevieve.

Mrs. Clyde Roberts and Mrs. G. H. Finley had legal business at Benton Friday.

John Moss, former Metropolitan Life Insurance agent was in Chaffee Monday.

Mrs. V. E. Hopkins and son Billy, visited her mother at Hayti during the week-end.

Dennis Elrod spent the week-end at home. He is attending the normal at Cape Girardeau.

W. D. Moore spent the week-end with his family. He is a conductor and his terminal is at St. Louis.

The W. C. T. U. society met at the home of Mrs. W. O. Finney this week and shared a very enjoyable afternoon.

Postmaster Wiley has recently established himself in a desirable industry and desires to be relieved by his successor at an early date.

The office of Mayor is not represented on the ballot for April election. A. W. Fay, the only candidate who had announced, recently withdrew his name.

An unusual precipitation visited Chaffee Thursday that made veritable canals out of some of the streets until the swell subsided. It is reported that ten inches of water fell.

Rev. Robert Layfield, the Evangelist, is having a wonderful series of religious services at the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches. He is a personal friend of the local editor.

Mrs. De Witt, mother of Mary Bisplinghoff, returned to her home at Springfield Friday. Mrs. De Witt had been visiting her daughter and granddaughter at Chaffee the past two weeks.

Miss Myrtle Alsbrook, a valued sales lady for E. F. Eigman Mercantile Co., surprised her many friends by being married last week to a Mr. Miller near Commerce. She has resigned her position and has taken up her new duties.

The residence of R. S. Edwards on Second and Davidson caught fire Friday afternoon and required the fire truck to extinguish the flames. The east roof was damaged, requiring a renewal. Slight damage was done to the interior by the water.

Two more Civil Service students at the Chillicothe Business College received appointments last week. One as an accountant at Washington, D. C., at \$1440 per year, initial salary, the other typist at \$1240.

The large steel bridge under construction over the main drainage ditch at Wahite Spur near Morehouse was badly damaged yesterday, when accumulating drift on the crest of a rapid rise of water in the ditch piled against the super-structure tearing it away and allowing the portion of the bridge, which was in place, to collapse. The accident will delay the work, not considering the damages, which must be borne by the contractors, the Vincennes Bridge Construction Company.—Poplar Bluff Democrat.

NEW MADRID COUNTY REAL ESTATE SALES

H. E. Wolf and wife to Wm. Fields, all of New Madrid County: Lot 3 in block 41 in Dixie E. Stout's 2nd add. to city of Parma. \$170.

A. F. Brooks and wife to Wm. Algier and Co. of N. M. County. A certain parcel of ground located in Tallapoosa, in sec. 36, twp. 22, range 11. For a more particular description see book 79, page 309. \$1.00 and other valuable consideration.

B. F. Swartz and wife of New Madrid county to W. M. Jobe of New Madrid county: Lots 7 and 8 in blk. 20 in the village of Catron. \$150.

Martin William and wife to Bessie Mocabee all of New Madrid County: Lots 17 and 18 in block 29, City of Morehouse. \$1.00.

Bessie Mocabee and husband to Mrs. Delphia William: Lots 17 and 18, blk. 29, City of Morehouse. \$1.00. Louis Albrecht and wife of Illmo to Henry Baden of Cape Girardeau: SW 1/4 of sec. 25, twp. 23, range 15, containing 151 acres. \$1.00.

Laura B. Steward and husband of Marston to W. S. McMillin of New Madrid County: All of block 77 in Barnes 2nd Add. to the town of Marston. \$1081.

Louis M. Koch and wife of St. Louis to Wm. Algier of New Madrid County: Lots 5 and 6 in block 3 of the town of Tallapoosa. \$200.

Marriage Licenses
C. R. Crow, Braggadocia and Ada Tottaton, Marston.

Joseph Brown and Florence Powers, La Valle.

Joseph Newton and Dolla Hubbard, Kewanee.

Aaron C. Yarkhouse and Bessie L. Dvorak, Gideon.

John N. Barrett and Etta Young, Parma.

Samuel O. Prestage and Martha Kinsey, Tallapoosa.

John H. Cook and Dorothy E. Martin, Parma.

QUAINT SETTINGS IN HOLT PICTURES

One of those quaint settings that always elicits a chorus of "oh's" and "ah's" from the spectators—especially those who are past middle age, will be seen in Jack Holt's new Paramount picture, "While Satan Sleeps," which will be presented next Friday at the Malone Theatre. The setting represents the rectory in a small western mining town, which has been furnished by the parishioners. Shells, a stuffed owl, religious books and papers, embroidered mottoes, oil lamps, a card receptacle in the shape of two outspread hands, old fashioned furniture and rag rugs—make up a scene that is distinctly appropriate.

One of the girls of the town presents Mr. Holt, in the role of Parson Phil, with a Bible inscribed: "To our pastor from one of the lambs of his flock", or words to that effect.

Joseph Henabery directed the picture, which is based on Peter B. Kyne's story, "The Parson of Panamint".

James E. Smith, Sr., is in receipt of a letter from his son, Emory, stationed at Panama as a wireless operator, in which he says he took an examination aboard the battleship New Mexico along with eleven operators for a position aboard an United States destroyer and was the only one of the number to pass. Mr. Smith at once cabled him congratulations. Emory will be 21 years of age when his four years' enlistment expires.

SCOTT COUNTY REAL ESTATE SALES

Howard E. Morrison to Mrs. Adie C. Dover, both of Skeston: Lot 17 and E 1/2 16 in block 4, City of Skeston. \$1.00.

Norval F. Anderson, Wade G. Anderson and Chas. M. Wylie and wives all of Commerce to Commerce Lodge No. 543 I. O. O. F. Part of lots 31 and 32 in Commerce. \$700.

James P. Holmes to Mable Unnerstall, both of Rockview: Lot 5, blk. 1, Village of Rockview. \$1.00.

Mable Unnerstall to Earl H. Miller, both of Rockview: Lot 5, blk. 1, Village of Rockview. \$150.

O. J. Sawyer and wife of Chaffee to J. Frank Bryeans, Oran: SE 1/4 of the SE 14 sec. 15, 28, 12, 40 acres. \$2650.

J. Frank Bryeans and wife to C. F. Adams, all of Oran: SE 1/4 of the SE 14 sec. 15, 28, 12, 40 acres. \$2650.

Charles Watkins and wife to W. A. Maddox, all of Oran: Lots 5 and 6, block B in Smith's add. to Oran. \$1.00 and other valuables.

F. M. Lauderdale to Mamie Lauderdale, both of Morley, block 1, 2 and 3 in town of Morley. \$1.00.

Warren W. Anglin and wife to W. H. White, all of Illmo: Lots 23 and 24 in block 5, Hilleman's addition to Illmo. \$700.

H. S. Sadler and wife of East St. Louis, Ill., to Anna R. Jungers, Illmo: E 1/2 lot 2, W 1/2 lot 4 and all lot 3, in blk. 6, Bell's addition to Edna, now Fornefelt. \$1600.

Lawrence Lux to August Lux, both of Kelso. E 1/2 of lot 3 of the NW 1/4 of sec. 3, 29, 13, 54 acres. \$1,000.00.

G. W. Page to Effie M. Page, both of Crowder: Lots 19, 20 and 21, blk. 4, town of Crowder. \$1.00.

T. J. Raspberry and wife to Lawrence Lux, all of Scott County: 55 acres of land in sec. 9, 29, 13. \$1200.

George B. Murray and wife of Olney, Ill., to W. R. Batts, Rockview, Mo.: Lots 4 and 5 in block 1 of Rockview Junction. \$140.

J. H. Barnett and Archie D. Barnett and wives to J. E. Harper, all of Skeston. Lot 4 in block 1, Applegate's 2nd Add., to City of Skeston. \$550.

Donald C. McLees and wife, of Dowell, Ill., to Roscoe Webb, Illmo: Lot 90 of the original town of Commerce. \$1500.

Mrs. Estel Minter and husband to Mrs. Clara L. Dailey, all of Vanduser: Lots 5 and 6 in block 2 in Woodward's 1st Add. to the town of Vanduser. \$750.

Chas. W. Dunger, et al to August and Minnie Schiowitz, all of Scott County: Lots 7 and 8 block 1, town of Edna; lots 9 and 10, block 3, Fornefelt-Schuettee Add. to Edna; lots 14 and 15 in block 3 Fornefelt-Schuettee add. lots 10, 11, 1, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19 in block 4, Schuettee's 3rd add. to city of Fornefelt. \$1000.

Homer Decker and wife to John C. Russell, all of Skeston. Entombment space (10 tombs) in the Skeston Mausoleum. \$2500.

G. B. Kellem and wife to J. C. Wylie and F. G. Packwood, all of Chaffee: Lots 14 and 15 in block 39 in the town of Chaffee. \$119.

Marriage Licenses
Lee Poyner to Bertha Rushing, both of Vanduser.

Walter Hemphill (Col.) to Eliza Thomas (Col.), both of Skeston.

Louis A. Williams, to Rosay Jenkins, both of Risco.

T. N. Elkins to Stella Davenport, both of Illmo.

Elam Brooks, Jackson, to Mary Atchison, Cape Girardeau.

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Notice of Administration
Notice is hereby given, that letters of administration on the estate of James A. Bradley, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 1st day of March, 1923, by the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within six months after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be no exhibited within one year from the date of said letters, they shall be forever barred.

MRS. LUCY JACKSON, Administratrix.

Witness my hand and seal of the (SEAL) Probate Court of Scott County.

THOS. B. DUDLEY, Probate Judge.

Notice of Administration
Notice is hereby given, that letters testamentary on the estate of Frances Johnson, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 12th day of March, 1923, by the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within six months after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be no exhibited within one year from the date of said letters, they shall be forever barred.

CARL W. JOHNSON, Executor.

Witness my hand and seal of the (Seal) Probate Court of Scott County.

THOS. B. DUDLEY, Probate Judge.

Notice of General City Election

A general city election will be held in the City of Skeston, Mo., on Tuesday, April 3, 1923, for the purpose of electing one alderman from each of the four wards of the city.

The voting precincts will be located as follows:

1st Ward at City Hall.
2nd Ward at Overland Garage.
3rd Ward at Star Service Co. Garage.

4th Ward at Russell Bros. office.
The polls will open at 6:00 o'clock a. m. and close at 7 o'clock p. m. on election day.

C. E. FELKER, Mayor.

Attest: Audrey Chaney, City Clerk.

Notice of School Election

In compliance with Section 11251 Revised Statutes 1919 notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of School District No. 54 (Skeston) County of Scott, State of Missouri, that the Annual School Election of said District will be held at the four regular places in the four wards of the City of Skeston, on Tuesday the 3d day of April, 1923, commencing at 6 o'clock in the morning and closing at 7 o'clock in the evening of the same day, and among other things specified by law, the following will be proposed and considered:

1. The proposition of voting a tax levy of 100 cents on each \$100.00 assessed valuation of said School District for School purposes.
2. The proposition of electing two School Directors for a term of three years.

Done by order of the Board of Education this 10th day of March, 1922.

R. E. BAILEY, Secretary Board of Education.

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A miscellaneous shower was given by Mrs. J. M. Sitze and Mrs. Floyd Earl Rouse last Friday evening for Mrs. Ernest Ellis, formerly Miss Vernetta Sitze, at the home of Mrs. Sitze on North Kinghighway. The following is a list of the gifts and their donors: Mrs. H. L. Rice, St. Louis, dresser scarf, pillow cases, bath towels; Mrs. C. C. Buchanan and Mrs. Amos Buchanan, aluminum roaster; Mrs. F. A. Denton and Miss Alfreda Denton, cut glass goblets; Mrs. Wade Sitze, bed spread; Mrs. J. M. Sitze, aluminum pitcher; Mrs. Ernest Tongate, boudoir cap; Mrs. Ed Albright, bath set; Mrs. F. E. Rouse, bath set; Misses Ruth Arterburn, Elizabeth Welch, Willie Jones, linen tablecloth; Mrs. John A. Matthews, aluminum teakettle; Miss Cora Matthews, kitchen set; Mrs. Joe Whitener, bath towels; Mrs. Boyd Scillian and Miss Pearl Hamby, initial pillow cases; Mrs. Harvey Morrison and Miss Abbie Morrison, bath set; Miss Stella Adams, boudoir cap; Misses Margaret and Pearl Jones, bath towels; Mrs. R. H. Hamby, dresser scarf; Mrs. August R. Halter, St. Louis, sherbet glasses; Mrs. Roy Chaney, dresser scarf; Miss Thelma Carson, bath set; Mrs. W. M. Carson, embroidered pillow top; Mrs. R. S. Hunter, Mrs. V. D. Hunter, and Mrs. Chas. Burns, cut glass candy jar; Mrs. Ralph Loebe, aluminum sauce pan; Miss Fern Scott, boudoir cap.

Don't fail to see Co. K and head-quarter Company of the 140th Inf. in action at Malone Theatre.

Mrs. Jess Kimes has returned from Memphis, Tenn., where she had been called on account of the illness of some of her relatives.

SPOILED SALMON
IS SHIPPED HERE

Approximately 7500 cans of spoiled salmon, which have reached the shelves of retail grocers in Cape Girardeau, Sikeston, Poplar Bluff and Dexter, are to be confiscated by government agents and United States marshals.

J. A. Pitts, of the Bureau of Chemistry, United States Department of Agriculture, arrived in Cape Girardeau early today and with Deputy United States Marshal O. A. Kneahans prepared to seize the spoiled goods.

Four brands are named in the libel filed in Federal district court here.

One hundred cases of the decomposed fish were sent here to the Meyer-Albert Grocer Company for distribution. The McKnight-Keaton Grocer Company at Sikeston got 20 cases of the salmon, the Meyer-Keaton Grocer Company at Poplar Bluff 10 cases, and the Barnes Grocer Company at Poplar Bluff 20 cases. The Barnes Grocer Company at Poplar Bluff also secured five cases of the salmon, it is charged in the libel. The salmon is said to be "filthy, decomposed, and adulterated animal substance".

There are 48 cans of the fish to each case. In many instances, government agents say, the salmon has been delivered to retail dealers.

Government agents absolve the distributors from any blame in the matter, declaring that the salmon was sold to them as high class goods.

The Department of Agriculture was informed early in the year that certain Northwest Pacific canneries were canning decomposed salmon and were placing it on the market at the price of first-class goods. Chemists who examined more than 4,000 cans of the salmon taken from various parts of the Mississippi valley, reported the alleged defect in the goods, and it was on their recommendation that the salmon was ordered confiscated.—Southeast Missourian.

A Standard reporter called on J. N. Ross, manager of the McKnight-Keaton Wholesale Grocery, and he informed him that the Sikeston public need have no hesitancy in buying salmon in Sikeston as the spoiled salmon referred to in the above article had not been distributed to any of our Sikeston groceries, but was held intact at the wholesale office, to be taken over by the government officials.

The second annual Inter-High School track and field meet will be held at the Southeast Missouri District Fair Ground, April 27. All High Schools within auto-driving distance are invited. Several events for girls have been added this year.

An annual essay contest, for which a medal is offered by J. A. and H. C. Young, is to be held at the High School in April. The subject for this year is "Fire Prevention". The best essays will be judged on thought, and then the writer judged on delivery. Watch for the date.

Mrs. Clodfelter of Essex was a visitor to Sikeston, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sikes were visitors to St. Louis this week, going up Monday night.

Louis Watkins out Vanduser way is mightily bunged up with a misery in his back. He denies it is old age creeping over him.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Johnson are in St. Louis. Mr. Johnson is attending a School of Mechanics connected with the Ford Motor Co.

Mrs. Claude Gill and daughter, Mrs. Raymond Lemm of Caruthersville were visitors to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Heisler Friday and Saturday.

An epic of the great Northwest—out where weak men succumb to the stronger, and Love triumphs over all.—Malone Theatre, Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. Kroger, of St. Louis, who so delightfully entertained those attending his organ recital Tuesday evening, was the dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Gervig. Mrs. Gervig was formerly a pupil of Mr. Kroger.

Little Miss Lavinnia Moll, of Grand Chain, Ill., who is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Sheppard, had as six o'clock dinner guests Thursday, Little Misses Ruby Bloomfield and Virginia McCary.

Mrs. T. Meyers is having a garage built on the lot on East Prairie Ave. and Lake place. Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Lindley will move into this property, having sold their home on North Ranney to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Keith.

G. M. Greer, Frank Van Horne and others from the Sikeston vicinity attended a Regional Pruning Meeting at Cape Girardeau Thursday. C. C. Hearne and Mr. Boles of the State Horticultural Department at Columbia, put on the demonstration.

This week 40,000 spring announcements are being mailed the teachers of eight states telling them of the special summer courses at the Chilothe Business College beginning April 9 and June 4, in which they may prepare as commercial teachers or for important secretarial positions.

Please take notice that Manager McCutchen will show on the screen in Sikeston next Monday and Tuesday evenings the very top liner, that is in St. Louis this week. Sikeston is fortunate in having such an enterprising picture show man who believes in getting the late releases. Cape Girardeau has on this week pictures that were here three weeks ago.

Advertising real bargains and liberal use of printers ink has forced on some of our non-advertisers the fact that there must be something to it. All day long Thursday, the Buckner-Ragsdale Store was so jammed that the doors had to be closed at times. This firm covered the four counties with their advertising and it got results. It is said that some other merchants almost exhausted themselves walking by this store so often.

Sikeston is to be highly commended for the splendid manner in which she put over the shoe factory proposition. A concern that will employ six hundred is of untold value to any town, and Sikeston realized this and made up a bonus of \$70,000 for the owners of the factory. This will probably be a bigger factor in making Sikeston a bigger and better town than any one project that has ever been attempted there. The Democrat is strong for the metropolis of Scott county, and believes that considerable money that is now being spent outside could be attracted by Sikeston merchants if there was concerted action on the part of the business men of that city.—Benton Democrat.

FOR SALE—Good June clover hay \$17.50 a ton.—Homer Decker.

FOR SALE—Extra good clover hay \$20 per ton delivered in town.—P. H. Buchholz, Route 2, box 2, Sikeston, Mo. 11.

LOST—Physicians' medicine case, Black leather, between the town of Matthews and Kingshighway road. Reward for return. Phone 244.—T. M. McClure, M. D., Scott County Mlg. Co. Bldg.

A regional meeting of County Agents and Farm Bureau officers of Southeast Missouri has been called for Sikeston, March 28.

The meeting will be held at the Chamber of Commerce, beginning at 10:00 a. m.

This meeting has been called by the Missouri State Farm Bureau Federation headquarters at Jefferson City, and will be attended by state Farm Bureau and College of Agriculture officials.

All phases of Farm Bureau activity will be discussed, and particularly membership work. The regional conference will be followed by meetings of state farm bureau officials with county executive committees.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. L. Matthews motored to Charleston Sunday afternoon.

Leather team harness \$32.50 per set.—Farmers Supply Co., Hardware Department.

Misses Lucille and Lillian Kendall are in St. Louis this week, the guests of relatives and friends.

Leather team harness \$32.50 per set.—Farmers Supply Co., Hardware Department.

Mrs. Byron Guthrie of Charleston was a visitor to her mother, Mrs. Adam Roush.

Leather team harness \$32.50 per set.—Farmers Supply Co., Hardware Department.

T. Wilson and Joe Griffith left Tuesday for Wilson, Ark., to be gone for a few days.

Leather team harness \$31.50 per set.—Farmers Supply Co., Hdw. Department.

Mrs. Scott Alexander of Charleston visited her daughter, Mrs. J. L. Matthews, Monday.

Leather team harness \$32.50 per set.—Farmers Supply Co., Hardware Department.

Mrs. John Dill of Carbondale, Ill., visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Carter from Saturday until Wednesday.

Mrs. Girard Dover was called to St. Louis the later part of the week on account of the death of her uncle, Mr. Weber.

Mrs. Forrest Hobbs and Miss Fern Allen were Cairo visitors this week going over Wednesday and returning Thursday.

Geo. Harrington, of St. Louis, has been the guest of his mother, Mrs. Vigil, at the home of Mrs. Bettie Matthews, Sr., this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Matthews, Jr., entertained with a 12 o'clock dinner Sunday. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Bergman of Cape Girardeau, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Matthews and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Matthews.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Matthews, Jr., had the following guests for tea Sunday evening: Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sikes, Mr. and Mrs. Ranney Applegate, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Wilson, and Mr. and Mrs. Bergman of Cape Girardeau.

Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Anthony, who have been on an extended visit to St. Louis and Fredericktown on account of Dr. Anthony's health, will return to Sikeston the last of this week. We are very glad to report Dr. Anthony's health has improved very much.

The regular meeting of the D. A. R. Society was held Saturday at the home of Mrs. Ella Old with Mrs. Frank Van Horne as leader. A paper was read on American music interpreted by Miss Dorothy Lillard and Mrs. Greene Lescher, who gave selections from American composers. The rooms were prettily decorated with St. Patrick green, which also furnished the color for the dainty refreshments.

John Carter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carter, who was accidentally shot in the eye with an air rifle on Wednesday of last week, is getting along as well as could be expected. The doctors have not given up hope entirely and it is possible that the sight may be saved. The parents of John took him to Cairo for examination and operation, on last Wednesday and he will go to Cairo again Saturday for further examination. Dr. L. O. Rodes has the case in charge.

Agents Wanted

Man with car preferred. Big money making proposition. Sell Milburn Puncture Proof Tubes. Write or wire for territory rights.—Baxter & Richardson Company, Kirksville, Mo.

Sikeston Standard \$1.50 per year.

The organ recital at the Methodist Church by Mr. Kroger, of St. Louis, Tuesday night, was highly appreciated and thoroughly enjoyed by Sikestonians. The committee of the Methodist church who are responsible for this wonderful series of entertainments certainly deserve a standing vote of thanks.

Miss Inez Lincoln, organizer of summer camp clubs for the girls belonging to the W. B. A., will be in Sikeston Friday night, for the purpose of organizing a club for the girls of Sikeston Review. All members invited. Girls and Junior members, 14 years and over, are urged to be present.

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For a limited time we will give a 10 per cent discount on all our

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You can't lose when you buy meats at our shop. You gain in every way—and our shop is clean and sanitary, as a meat market should be.

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MISSOURI COTTON GROWERS CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATION

Scott and New Madrid Counties have been chosen by the Organization Committee for the honor of conducting the first week of the sign-up campaign for the Missouri Cotton Growers Co-operative Association.

The sign-up drive was started Monday with an all day school of instruction at the Organization Committee Headquarters in Skeston, in the Chamber of Commerce rooms.

All county and district chairmen, team captains and canvassers, chairmen and members of the county and district publicity and business men's committees, were invited to attend the school of instruction, which started at 9:30 and continued until the work was thoroughly explained and understood by all. Lunch was served by the Organization Committee so that no time was lost.

Tuesday morning the drive started in earnest. Canvassing teams called on every farmer who produces or plans to produce cotton, and asked to enroll in the Association and join with the progressive cotton farmers in all the Southern states who have already signed up in exactly similar associations whose work has been so effective that the best cotton authorities in the country now give the co-operative movement credit for the steadiness of the market and much of the rise in the value of cotton in the past two years.

Each county will be campaigned by its own County Organization Committee, operating under the general direction of the State Organization Committee.

In Scott County the County Chairman is W. H. Tanner. Those who have been asked to co-operate in the drive in Scott so far are:

Publicity Committee—C. H. Denman, C. L. Blanton, Alden Pinney, C. E. Mattocks and E. L. Purcell.

Sikeston District—Chairman, Bill Sikes, team captains, J. A. Roth, J. W. Baker, Jr., Theo. Hopper. Canvassers—W. H. Keasler, John J. Reiss, Tom Sheehy, Hez. Ozment, James Hodge, Wallace Applegate.

Morley District—Chairman H. F. Emerson, Team Captains, B. C. Williams, Louis Watkins; Canvassers, L. W. Ravelle, L. C. Leslie, Fred Black, Louis Gober.

Oran District—Chairman, L. C. Hamm; Team Captains, Wm. Oliver, M. C. Dunn; Canvassers, R. Q. Black, S. P. Bollinger, E. C. Brann, W. W. Hooker.

Commerce District—Chairman, C. Luper; Team Captains, Ben Heartling, George Buck, T. C. Bryant; Canvassers, Joe Ellis, Wm. Rahmoeller, Lem Buck, Geo. Vetter, D. C. Adams, John Spaulding.

Blodgett District—Geo. Buchanan, Chairman; Team Captains, T. E. Chowning, W. M. Bailey, Bill McBride; Canvassers, J. M. Tirdell, Roy Kneezel, Will Berendes, J. M. Chappell, Jess Walton, Jim Given. Others will be added.

Business men's committees have been asked to help in the canvass by the display of endorsement cards, recommendation of the co-operative system to their customers, and assisting in every way in the sign-up campaign. Every business man is requested to render every possible assistance to this movement, which means keeping a larger proportion of the value of the cotton in the community in which it is produced.

The business men who have been asked to serve on the Scott County committee so far are: Skeston, C. D. Matthews, Alfred Sikes, M. G. Gresham, Ranney Applegate, J. W. Baker, Morley, Roy Leslie, P. H. Boyce, Judge R. L. Harrison, W. H. Black, John Beardsley; Oran, L. C. Hamm; F. S. Bice, Dr. W. Westcoat, Rev. C. Moenig; Commerce, W. Heiserer, Joe Moore, C. L. Leedy; Blodgett, J. W. Packer, Dr. Wm. Allen, Wm. McBride.

In New Madrid County the personnel is not completed as this is written, canvassers and members of the local business men's committees not having been appointed, but this will be completed this week.

C. M. Barnes is county chairman. The publicity committee consists of O. A. Allen, Jr., E. A. Wright, J. T. Yager, Louis Laver and Wm. Fields.

District chairmen are: W. H. Sikes, Fred Hetledge, J. W. Collins, T. A. Penman. Team captains are: Frank Deane, Willard Russell, J. A. Engle, Geo. Rickus, Chas. Pinky, R. C. Trimble, J. D. Twitty, Wade Tucker, Frank Henry, C. M. Bandy, J. J. Klipfel, Howard Wrian.

County chairman of the business men's committee is M. F. Ehlers. District chairman, E. L. Griffin, M. J. Conran, C. W. Stevenson, W. W. Largent.

The canvass will be carried on intensively through the week.

All cotton farmers will meet in their own districts Friday night and organize their locals.

Saturday all committee members and workers will meet at Skeston to

turn in a report and figure up results. Thereafter the canvass will be continued by the members and local officers and business men, while the initial campaign moves into the other counties, until the whole of the cotton counties in Missouri have been covered.

Thereafter, the members will elect their directors and set up the organization.

Since the old Southern system that has taken such large toll from the older districts has not been fully extended to Missouri, it is hoped by the organization committee that a very large enrollment will result among Missouri cotton growers.

"There is no necessity," said Chairman X. Caveno, a few days ago, for the cotton growers of this section to be saddled with the old marketing system that has practically ruined the cotton growers of the South. We can start with a better method—co-operative cotton marketing."

Story of "The Kick-Back"

Harry Redding, known as "White Horse Harry" (Harry Carey) on the frontier, is deeply in love with Nellie Belden, who, through unfortunate circumstances, is compelled to work as a waitress in a restaurant in the small town near Harry's home. On his land he has that prized possession of the desert, a water hole.

The precious water hole on White Horse Harry's land is coveted by Aaron Price, a cold, unscrupulous sheep owner, who practically owns everything of any value in the town. He also covets Nellie and, in his own way, is willing to go to any lengths to get her.

Aaron Price has two henchmen. The one most close to him is known as "Chalk Eye", who got his name because of his one sightless eye. Pete Harris is also a tool of the villainous Price. He delivers an offer from Price to Harry for the water hole property but it is turned down. Harry is trying to get enough money to get his home in such shape that he and Nellie may be married and live there in comfort.

Price and Chalk Eye connive at a scheme which they figure will land Price both the water hole and the girl. They "frame-up" Harry so that he will undertake a job of herding back from Mexico to the United States a drove of horses. Pete Harris puts the proposition to Harry and offers him a hundred dollars for the work. Harry is so anxious to get the money for his approaching marriage that he agrees to deliver the horses without thinking the matter over. The documents which permit him to bring the horses across the Rio Grande are given to him but they are forgeries prepared by Aaron Price.

Harry goes on his errand across the line. He does not tell Nellie any of the details of the enterprise because the shrewd Aaron Price had anticipated such a possibility by telling Harry that it might be bad business; that other people might get in ahead of him and make a big horse sale. At the ranch of Ramon Pinello, Harry collects the horses and, after considerable persuasion gets old Ramon and his young and virile daughter to ride with him to bring the steeds back across the river.

In the meantime, however, Harris had ridden to the Captain of Mexican Rurales of that district and had told him that a "Texano" was planning to get away with a whole herd of horses with false documents. The Captain and his men ride to the river ford and try to stop Harry but he, with Ramon and the girl don't dare stop because they know that if they cease driving the horses they will scatter and that it will be impossible to get them together again. Instead, Harry rolls up the documents in a ball and throws them over his shoulder to the Rurale Captain. The captain orders pursuit and Harry and his little band find themselves in the meshes of the Mexicans.

In a melee that follows one of the Mexican soldiers falls off his horse in the scuffle and Harry, although he endeavors to rescue him, is accused of murdering him by the haughty captain of the Mexicans. For a while it looks as though Harry is going to make his escape. Though hit in the shoulder by a Mexican bullet, he succeeds in swimming to the American shore. There, however, are Price and Chalk Eye and Harry is cruelly kept from landing and is forced back to mid-stream where the Rurales succeed in lassoing him. He is dragged to a Mexican prison and condemned to death. His plea with the captain to spare Ramon and his daughter, Conchita, is successful, however, and they are sent home.

Conchita, who is grateful to Harry for saving her and her father, visits him in the jail. She brings him a small knife, thinking that he may be able to dig his way out with it. This is impossible but Harry uses it as a clever ruse.

He pours some wine on his shirt, holds the knife in his hand and shouts for the guard. When the guard enters the cell, Harry trips him and, fighting his way past several more of the jailers, gains his freedom and, at last, the American shore. Before he gains the ford, however, Conchita places around his neck a locket out of gratitude for his kindness.

When Harry reaches his own home, he discovers the place almost in ruins. He reaches Nellie's side only to discover that her mind has been poisoned against him. The locket, which she discovers around his neck, she attributes to a Mexican girl that Price had told her was Harry's sweetheart on the other side of the Rio Grande. She turns from him and he goes out to find Price and Chalk Eye.

These two conspirators are in a saloon and have devised a scheme to "get" Harry. Chalk Eye picks a quarrel with him and throws a drink in his face. Harry doesn't reach for his handkerchief as they expect him to but wipes his face with his sleeve.

They figured that in reaching for his handkerchief it would look as though he were reaching for a gun and then Chalk Eye could shoot him and give the impression that he did it in self-defense.

A fight ensues—a bitter, grueling fight—in which Chalk Eye is worsted and he tells "White Horse Harry" that the town isn't large enough for both of them and that if Harry isn't out of it by five o'clock he would be shot.

At five o'clock that afternoon Chalk Eye is in a bar alone and Harry enters quietly through the rear entrance. Chalk Eye draws his gun, fires and misses. Harry draws quickly and shoots his assailant. There are no witnesses however, and Price and Harris contrive to give the people the impression that Harry murdered Chalk Eye in cold blood. Harry is arrested and put in jail. Harris in the meantime is inciting the mob to lynch Harry. Conchita, the Mexican girl, seeing how the land lies, rides like the wind for the Texas Rangers, who are encamped near the river.

Before going she tells Nellie that Harry is only a friend to her and that her only feeling towards him is one of gratitude.

Nellie prevails on Price to have a conversation with her alone. She gives him the impression that she is succumbing to his endearments and manages to get the jail keys from

his pocket, which he has purloined from the sheriff. She runs from him and throws them at the window where Harry stands. But they hit a bar and fall to the ground.

The angry mob, under the influence of Pete Harris, have by now broken into the jail and delivered Harry. They have him with a rope around his neck, ready to lynch him, when the Rangers, with Conchita at their head, ride up and save "White Horse" from death. Pete Harris and Aaron Price are arrested for collusion and for the rest of their villainies and Harry and Nellie return to the house at the water hole. Harry tears down the sign which reads that Aaron Price, in Harry's absence, had asked his own claim to the property. They decide not to wait but to marry and to remake the little home at the water hole.

This picture will be shown at the Malone Theatre Saturday night.

HIGH PRICES MAKE NECESSARY CARE OF LEATHER EQUIPMENT

The continued high price of leather makes it a wise precaution on the part of the farmer to put his leather equipment into good working condition before the spring rush starts. Properly selected leather more than repays in good service the care spent upon it and reduces materially the amount the farmer must expend on this one item.

Specialists in the Bureau of Chemistry, United States Department of Agriculture, have learned that the durability of machine belts, driving belts, harness, and other leather articles used by the farmer can be greatly increased after a judicious selection in the first place by giving them the care that will strengthen and preserve them.

Boots and shoes will last longer and will keep the dry if well greased during the wet season, while the serviceability of harness is rendered greater by careful cleaning and oiling three or four times a year. Suggestions to lengthen the life of leather goods are given in Farmers' Bulletin 1183, The Care of Leather, which may be obtained from the department upon request.

According to the superintendent of the Shelbyna light and power plant, it takes about \$11 worth of oil each twenty-four hours to operate the oil engines installed several months ago, as against \$35 worth of coal for the former engines in use.

The Confederate "Shin Plaster"

The paper money of the Confederacy, now of interest only to the collector, was engraved in Crane's bank not paper.

Of course, this paper was not issued until after the declaration of war between the North and South but the ordinary bank not circulating in the South was quite frequently engraved on Crane's bank not paper, so that most transactions of the time, including the buying and selling of slaves, was carried on, where

money was used, with Crane's papers.

The Southern Confederacy has passed away—its paper money has no value. Even the bitterness and feeling that the war excited have been outgrown and forgotten. The reunited United States has grown stronger and stronger, financially and otherwise. It has even survived a greater war, but Crane's papers, the manufacture of which began long before the Civil War, are still made in the mills at Dalton, where the enterprise was first located by the Zenas

Crane and his associates.

We just wish to remind our customers, and prospective customers, that we use nothing but Crane's Kid Finish Dressed White stock for visiting cards; this is absolutely the best visiting card stock in the world, and the people who want the best and know it when they see it will have nothing else.

The cucumber is one of the oldest of the garden vegetables. Some 3000 years ago in the Far East, probably in India, it had its origin.



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PUBLIC SALE

SATURDAY, MARCH 24

Commencing at 2:00 P. M.

There will be held a public sale at McCord's Auction Barn on above named date, the following property, to-wit:

8 mules, 1 mare, 1 black Jersey cow, 2 McCormick binders, 1 Massey-Harris mower, 2 hay rakes, 3 wagons, 1 one-horse plow, 2 disc harrows, 2 riding cultivators, 2 walking cultivators, 3 sulky plows, 2 wheat drills, 1 corn planter, 1 straw cutter, 1 scraper.

TERMS—All sums under \$10, cash; over that amount a secured note bearing 8 per cent interest due January 1, 1924. 5 per cent discount for cash.

R. A. McCord, Auc.
Lacy Allard, Clerk.

COTTON CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED MONDAY

Last Monday the membership sign-up campaign for the Missouri Cotton Growers' Co-operative Association was formally launched for Scott and New Madrid Counties.

It was started by what was termed a "School of Instruction" for those engaged in carrying the co-operative message to the cotton farmers and in securing their membership for the Association.

The meeting was held at the Chamber of Commerce in Sikeston, and despite the cold and disagreeable weather, leading farmers and business men were present from practically all important points in both counties.

The morning session was diverted to working out personnel for canvassing teams. Luncheon was served to the crowd in the Chamber of Commerce rooms by Fred Schorle.

Following the lunch—for more than three hours—everyone present devoted their entire attention to an intensive and comprehensive study of co-operative marketing in all its phases, the membership campaign and the method of operation of the Association when organized.

Discussion was lead by Charles M. Morgan, Campaign Director, and W. H. Tanner, Secretary of the Organization Committee, ably assisted by C. M. Barnes of New Madrid County and many others from among those present at the meeting.

The fact developed that more than half a million American farmers are members of successful marketing associations formed on exactly the same contract—the Sapiro marketing contract—as is being used for the formation of the Missouri Association. These include among others approximately 200,000 members of 10 State Cotton Associations and more than 230,000 members of the five big Tobacco Marketing Associations, as well as many other types of farmers business organizations for the handling of many different commodities.

"The essential difference between the old type of Co-operative Marketing, which used to fail about nineteen out of twenty times, and the new type which has been operating now for two years in cotton, two years in tobacco, and more than ten years in various types of California products and which do not fail, is this.

"The old idea of co-operation was the locality idea. The successful and modern idea of co-operative marketing is the commodity idea".

"Commodity co-operative marketing recognizes the fact that locality of production is of no importance whatever from the standpoint of marketing, but that the important thing is a sufficient supply—and not too much—of the commodity available at the time and the place of the demand".

"Modern commodity co-operative marketing organizations, of which the Missouri Association will be one, are therefore based on the idea of the administrative unites, usually on a statement basis of working together through a National Organization made up of all associations handling the same product and definitely protecting their work and thus avoiding destructive competition between organizations".

During the course of the day it was brought out that the Burley Tobacco Association has during its operations added to the value of the 1921 and 1922 crops of Burley tobacco at least \$50,000,000 more than would have been secured for it without the association. It was demonstrated also that the cotton Associations operated in the sale of the 1921 crop, by their method of orderly selling throughout the entire season and the payment to the members of the average price received for each grade and quality, succeeded in securing for their members an average of more than \$10 a bale above the street price and this in spite of the fact that the marketing value of cotton declined throughout the season.

The State Associations and five additional Associations organized during the previous years have been operating the past season and it is very evident at this time that their members will receive an average of more than \$25 per bale above the price received by the average grower outside the Associations. They have paid before this time an average of nearly \$10 a bale more than the independent grower received for their cotton and still have some cotton to be sold and a great deal of money to be distributed.

The acreage planted to cob pipe corn in Southeast Missouri this season will not be so large as the past two years. Pipe factories have had an over supply of cobs and will use the supply now on hand in warehouses.

BUCKNER-RAGSDALE COMPANY BIG FIRE SALE

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Right at the time when you are most interested in brightening up your wardrobe, we offer you the chance of a lifetime to supply your needs at sacrifice prices. Merchandise that represents the pick from America's foremost manufacturers. Thousands of dollars worth in this sale has arrived since the fire, and merchandise arriving daily will be placed on sale as fast as it can be put in stock at prices far under regular selling prices. We mention a few items from different lines:

Men's best grade Overalls	\$1.19	Men's canvas gloves	9c
Men's white cambric handkerchiefs	10c	Men's felt hats	\$2.45
Men's dollar silk sox	55c	Men's blue work shirts	49c
Ladies' silk hose	95c	Children's white stockings	10c
Van Raalte Hose	\$2.15	Boy's dress shirts	65c
Men's dress shirts	65c	Silk ties	40c
Men's light cotton sox	8c	Knit ties	40c
Manhattan shirts	\$1.95	Fifty boy's suits	\$3.98
Dollar union suits	65c		

MEN'S CLOTHING

Over a hundred new spring suits have come in since we were closed. These suits have been put on sale with our stock already on hand, at prices that will mean a lot to the man who wants to make his money do double duty and at the same time be correct in his dress.

SHOES FOR EVERYBODY

Our shoe department is known in every household as the place to buy up-to-the-minute styles, as well as shoes for service, at moderate prices. In this sale you will find the season's very smartest styles at prices that will tempt you to buy more pairs than you really need.

STORE OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL 9:00 O'CLOCK

On account of being closed more than two weeks, we will be open evenings till 9 o'clock that we may better serve our patrons

We have made a big effort to secure competent help and plenty of it. If we should be unable to serve you promptly, please consider that we are doing our best.

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PROPERTY VALUES IN STATE \$3,952,782,699

Jefferson City, March 17.—Recommendations of values of all real and personal property in the State, as of June 1, 1922, were made to the State Board of Equalization by the Tax Commission late yesterday. The report showed the total true value of all property in the State to be \$3,952,782,699, which was \$74,142,717 greater than the estimates by assessors for June 1, 1922.

On this amount, personal property in the State was valued at \$718,147,213, or \$4,290,710 more than fixed by the assessors. The total real estate was divided into town lots at \$1,634,627,032, or an increase of \$4,787,596 over the assessors' figures, and land valued at \$1,599,981,454, or an increase of \$65,064,411 over the assessors' reports.

The largest personal property valuation was under the head of money, notes and bonds which were fixed at \$208,861,960, which was an increase of \$239,187, on the assessors' figures. Decreases were made by the Tax Commission on mules value at \$16,504,831, which was \$326,708 less and sheep valued at \$1,967,851 showing a decrease of \$42,285 from the assessors' figures.

Other personal property with the increases made over assessors' figures are:

Horses, \$21,968,152; increase, \$434,036.

Asses and jennets, \$258,663; unchanged.

Cattle, \$48,191,097; increased \$1,489,768.

Hogs, \$15,216,452; increased \$983,323.

All other livestock, \$196,607; unchanged.

Bank stock, \$161,176,145; increased, \$765,945.

Corporations other than banks, \$21,398,471; unchanged.

All other personal property, \$222,496,174; increased, \$747,434.

The reports showed the following valuations for Jackson County, which are unchanged unless otherwise noted:

Lands, \$44,674,590. Town lots, \$379,798,530. Horses, \$430,739, unchanged. Mules, \$220,760. Cattle, \$1,138,346. Sheep, \$27,795. Hogs, \$321,590. Money, notes and bonds, \$29,868,276. Bank stock, \$30,595,946. All other personal property, \$63,336,845.

SENATE PASSES BILL TO SPEED UP HIGHWAY WORK

Jefferson City, March 19.—The State Highway Department's bills to speed up road building and to have the engineering division of the department from disintegration, were passed by the Senate today. There were Senate amendments to the bill authorizing the issuance of an increased amount of bonds and it will be necessary for the bill to go back to the House for concurrence in the amendments.

As passed in the Senate, the bill authorizes the issuance of an additional \$5,000,000 of bonds this year, making \$10,000,000 for the year, and the issuance of \$10,000,000 each in 1924 and 1925, and \$5,000,000 each year thereafter for four years when the \$50,000,000 authorized will have been issued. Under a law passed 2 years ago, the issuance of bonds was limited to \$5,000,000 a year.

The other bill which awaits only the Governor's signature to become a law will increase salaries in the engineering department. The pay of the assistant chief engineer will be increased from \$3600 to \$5000; department heads, from \$3600 to \$4200, and division engineers, from \$3000 to \$3600. It was explained that the road construction companies were bidding for the services of road engineers, and that unless salaries were increased the corps of engineers in the Missouri department probably would be wrecked.

A virile, pulsing drama of the great North West, where honor is ever triumphant in the battle of strong men.—Malone Theatre Monday and Tuesday.

The value of milk consumed on farms in 1922 was nearly equal to the value of the milk sold, according to estimates of the United States Department of Agriculture. The farm value of milk sold is estimated at \$722,000,000 and of milk consumed on farms at \$636,000,000.

Approximately 166,000,000 acres of privately owned forest land are wholly unprotected from fire, says the Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture. On many other areas the protection is incomplete and inadequate. Based on a 6-year average, the annual loss of property from forest fires is \$16,424,000. Yet a yearly expenditure of \$9,263,000 would fairly protect all of the privately owned timber lands in the United States.